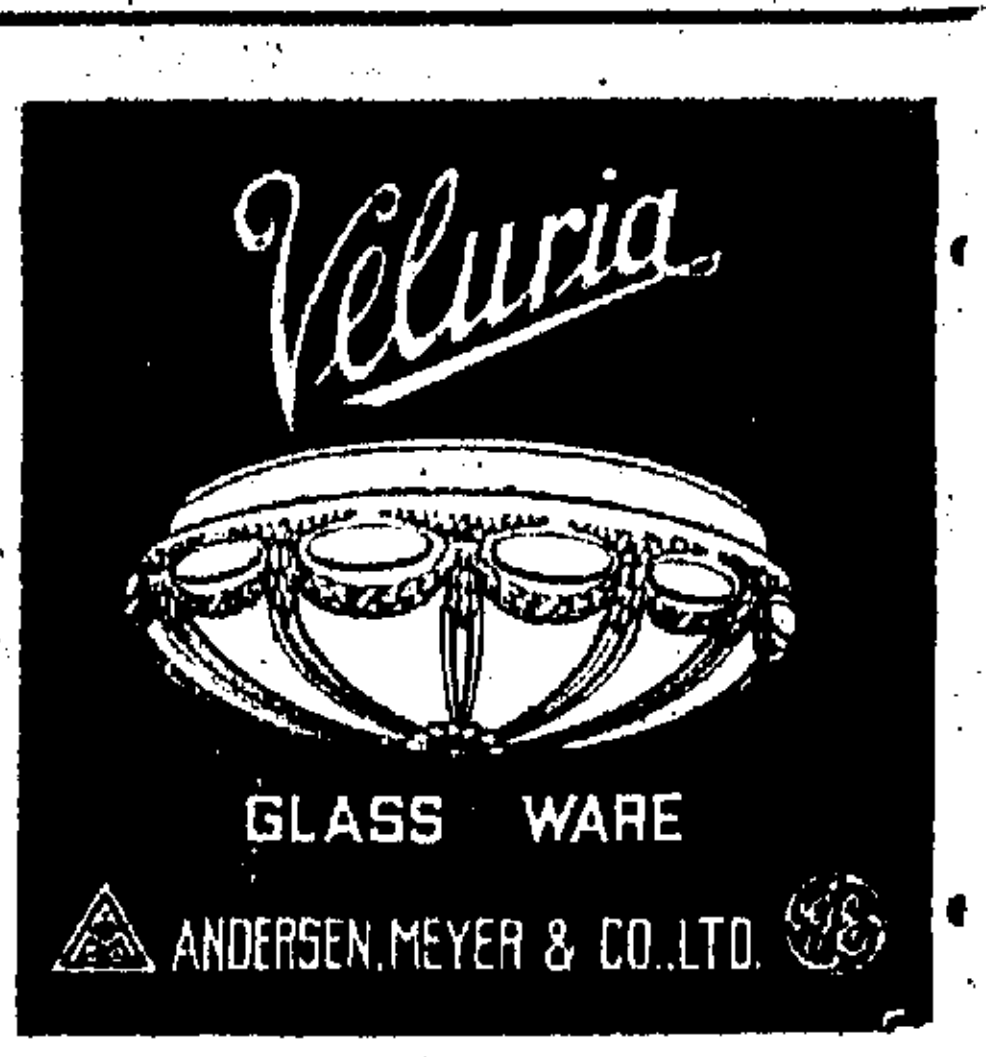




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THE MENACE TO THE COUNTRY.

Response from Volunteers Exceeds Expectations.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 10.
Though the outlook is regarded as hopeful, precautionary measures are not being relaxed. The recruiting of volunteers continues briskly. The War Office states that the response to the appeal to form defence units has exceeded expectations. It is officially stated that the country's stocks of food are at present sufficient, but an order has been issued prohibiting householders from acquiring over a week's supply of any foodstuff.
Meanwhile evidence accumulates that the Triple Alliance threat of a strike is not at all wholeheartedly supported by its members. Many railwaymen declare that they will disobey the strike order, while the reluctance of some of the transport workers to engage in the struggle is indicated by a resolution passed at a mass meeting of a thousand members of the United Vehicle Workers at Birmingham to-day calling upon the Triple Alliance to postpone the strike notices until the 17th inst. and to take a ballot of all the members of the Union.

CENTRAL EUROPE AFFAIRS.

Praise for France.

Paris, April 8.
The French Government has received a letter from the Czechoslovakian paper *Pravda*, commenting upon the French Government's attitude towards the Czechoslovakian situation. The paper expresses a strong opinion in favour of the French Government's firm stand in the Silesian question, and states that the French policy of Franco-British co-operation in Central Europe is highly appreciated.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

Peking, April 10.
Prince Tuan refuses to be sent back to Sinkian, the place of his original banishment, but has offered to be banished to the boundary between Kansu and Mongolia.
In reply to Lu's Wing-tung's request for ammunition and money, the State Department says that the Government is at present planning the union of Szechuen, Hunan and Yunnan provinces and that Kwangtung should be left alone for the time being.
In reply to a query made by the Japanese Minister, Yen Wai-ching (the Minister for Foreign Affairs) has declared that the conference on Vladivostok affairs cannot be opened before the reports of the investigating commissioners are received.
Shanghai, April 10.
A report from Changsha states that the territorial forces of Kwangsi and Kwangtung near the Hunan boundary are preparing for a battle.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

Presentation of Shield.

The Civil Service cricket team, champions of the League, played the Rest on Saturday, a most interesting game being the result. Occasion was taken to present the champions with the shield, this function being performed by Mrs. Claud Severn, who was accompanied by H. E. the Officer Administering the Government.

The Rest.

Captain Spinks, c	Edmonds
b Bird	47
b Bird	34
A. H. Rumball, c	Sayer b Bird
J. Stalker, b Bird	9
L. B. Franks, not out	56
Captain Oliver, not out	5
T. E. Pearce, c	Sayer b Bird
Extras	1

Total (5 wks. dec.) 204
L. E. Lammert, R. Nazarin, C. Omar and H. H. Taylor did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.	
Bird	18 2 63 5
Ling	11 5 57
Edmonds	10 3 41
Sayer	4 40

Civil Service.

R. C. Wickett, b Omar	1
G. R. Sayer, not out	111
E. C. Finch, b Stalker	22
H. E. Bevan, b Omar	20
G. H. Pacey, b W. Spinks	16
F. J. Ling, c Rumball b Spinks	6
H. E. Strange, run out	1
W. Chippchase, not out	8
Extras	9

Total (6 wks.) 205
W. H. Edmonds, C. Sara and R. E. O. Bird did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.	
Omar	14 1 47 2
Spinks	11 5 57
Lammert	8 28
Stalker	9 47 1
Taylor	3 10

MOTOR SMASH.

A Lady Injured.

There was a serious motor crash on the Repulse Bay Road yesterday. A motor cycle, driven by Mr. Yelle, crashed into motor car No. 333, the impact taking off a side car in which was Mrs. Yelle, and throwing her out of her seat. She was somewhat seriously injured and was removed in the motor car to the Government Civil Hospital. Mr. Yelle was also injured, though not so seriously.
The accident took place near the Dairy Farm at Pokfulam. The occupants of the motor car included Corporals Brown and Wallington, of the Military Police.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 8.45 a.m. to-day.
Typhoon 140 deg. Long. E., 15 deg. Lat. N., moving N.N.W.
Typhoon 140 deg. Long. E., 15 deg. Lat. N., almost stationary.

League by making a century. The medals for the team had not arrived, but would be given to them another time. Meanwhile he was sure Mrs. Severn, on her first visit to the Club, would have the greatest pleasure in placing the shield in charge of Mr. Sayer, Captain of the Club—and he hoped it would not leave the Club next year. (Applause.)

Mrs. Severn presented the shield, and cheers were given for the Civil Service team and its Captain.
Responding, Mr. Sayer humorously thanked His Excellency and Mrs. Severn. It had been a pleasure to captain the team, the members of which had been extremely keen. He thanked Mr. Edwards for his good work as Team Secretary and Mr. W. Finch, Scorer. He also thanked His Excellency for his support of the Club and of cricket in the Colony.
Cheers were given for His Excellency and Mrs. Severn, and Mrs. Severn was the recipient of a beautiful bouquet in a silver vase tied with the Club's colours.

H.K.C.C. v. Craignower.
This friendly match on Craignower ground on Saturday resulted in a draw. Scores:—

Craignower.	
B. W. Bradbury, b Sawyer	20
F. Lawrence, c Sewell b Sawyer	13
F. Thompson, b W. Webster	40
S. H. Ismail, c and b Mitchell	27
C. Tacchi, b Sawyer	24
J. Bryant, c Sawyer b Webster	6
D. Rumball, b Sawyer	4
H. C. Eldridge, did not bat	—
S. D. Ismail, did not bat	—
D. Ketchell, not out	1
D. K. Klaras, did not bat	0
Extras	26

Total (7 wks.) dec. 161

Bowling analysis:	
O. M. R. W.	
Webster	15 2 53 2
Sawyer	13 2 45 4
Mitchell	4 11 1
Dance	2 12
Dorkins	3 12

H.K.C.C.

B. E. A. Webster, b Bryant	43
L. J. Davies, c and b Ismail	42
E. R. Mitchell, c Rumball b Bryant	14
C. C. Dance, b W. Bryant	1
G. W. Sewell, b Bryant	5
H. A. Sawyer, c Rumball b Bryant	20
C. T. Brockbank, c and b Ismail	1
G. M. Dorkins, not out	4
Extras	4

Total (5 wks.) 154

Bowling analysis:

O. M. R. W.	
Bryant	14 1 63 4
Ismail	10 1 56 2
Bradbury	3 1 14
Lawrence	2 17

DR. SUN'S ELECTION.

Some Interesting Reports.

In connection with the election in Canton of Dr. Sun Yat-sen as President of China, it is reported that there was originally no intention of appointing a President at this particular meeting of the two Houses of Parliament, but that all other business was put aside, on the suggestion of an M.P. who stated that the matter was one of urgency and that much Chinese money abroad would not be remitted back to China until Dr. Sun was elected. It was then decided that the election take place at once, and it was further resolved that all those taking part therein should sign the voting papers with their own names. This was done and Dr. Sun was declared elected.
The question of the powers of the new President then came up, and it was resolved to pass the draft submitted, without discussion, a clause being added that the President should have full powers to appoint and dismiss all officials, of whatever rank.
Tang Shao-yi was away from Canton at the time, having gone to his native country, but Wu Ting-fang knew of what was taking place and is preparing to get recognition of the Government by foreign Powers. The situation in Canton at the moment is none too composed, and interesting developments are shortly expected.

"PRESIDENT" SUN.

Plans for Inauguration Day.

Although no definite date has been fixed for the inauguration of President Sun Yat-sen, it is generally believed that it will take place within ten days, says the *Canton Times*. Meanwhile plans for the celebration are being discussed by the different public organisations to make that a great day of frolic and joy and a memorable one. According to the programme decided upon, there will be a parade of automobiles, motorcycles, bicycles, picturesque floats, and stunts by people taking part in a huge parade. On the River, there will be a parade of steam launches, motor-boats, and flower-boats all decorated with lanterns. In the air, it is reported that several of the hydro-planes of the Aviation corps will fly in military formation.
Of course, the shooting of more fire-crackers will be the main feature of furnishing all the noise, while drums, gongs, flutes, empty kerosene cans and cow-bells will be utilised to produce a little "music".

NEW SOLICITOR.

Mr. W. B. Kennett Admitted.

The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C.), made an application to the acting Chief Justice (Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz) in the Supreme Court this morning for the approval, admittance and enrolment of Mr. William Bertram Kennett as a solicitor of the Court. Mr. Kennett, the Attorney General explained, was admitted in England in 1906 and in Shanghai in 1916. He was a director of the British American Tobacco Company (China) Ltd., The only exemptions he had to ask his Lordship for were exemptions from the four months' notice and exemption from the filing of a certificate of evidence as to character from two practitioners in England. In view of Mr. Kennett being so well known he submitted that the applications might be granted.
His Lordship:—The Law Society, I take it, has been notified?
Mr. Kemp:—Yes. There is no objection.
His Lordship:—William Bertram Kennett, I have much pleasure in approving, admitting and enrolling you as a solicitor and proctor of this Court.

FOOTBALL.

Charity Match.

A large crowd attended at Happy Valley to witness the match on the Club ground between H.M.S. Hawkins and H.M.S. Titania on Saturday last. The spacious Club stand, which was filled with enthusiastic spectators, was gaily dressed for the occasion, while four to five thousands lined the ropes. The band of H.M.S. Titania played selections on the ground from 4 to 4.30. The teams took the field as follows:—

Hawkins:—Jones; Russell and Humphries; Stewart, Edwards and Morgan; Cunliffe Bullard, Webb, Harris and Bard.
Titania:—Yeoman; Kerridge and Maplesden; Robinson, McGann, and Hutchby; Garside, Hendry, Powell, Yound and Cooper.
Mr. Jones, R.N., was the referee.
Edwards beat McGann for the choice of ends and at 4.30 p.m. H.E. the Officer Administering the Government kicked off for the Titania. Russell returned and Cunliffe sent over a shot that Webb directed towards Yeoman in goal. The goalie cleared and the ball went out to Harris who returned with a ground shot which Yeoman turned round the post for a corner. Coaliffe dropped the ball in front of goal and Webb headed in beyond the reach of Yeoman, thereby opening the score for the flagship after less than three minutes' play. This reserve caused the Titania to put on extra pressure, but Russell and Humphries defended well and kept them out. Early in the game Kerridge fell over Webb and landed on his head and a slight halt was made for the former to receive attention; he resumed however although in a dazed condition, but was forced to leave the field a few minutes later, remaining off for the rest of the first half. Thus handicapped, the Titania played the one-back game and this upset the play of the Hawkins' forwards and spoilt what would have been a good game. However, the Hawkins tried individual efforts on the part of the forwards and Webb almost succeeded in getting through on his own when he was robbed by Maplesden, who was playing a great game in the absence of his partner. McGann sent Powell away, but the latter made the mistake of passing back when all his forwards were up in line and Morgan cleared. The Hawkins did most of the attacking but failed to add to their score. From a break-away by the Titania, Garside went down the wing but delayed his centre and was forced over the line. Maplesden headed out a hard drive from Coaliffe and Harris receiving returned over the bar. Corners were frequent, but in most cases the ball was sent behind from the flag kick. McGann, who was putting in good work, sent Cooper away on the left, the winger sending across a well-timed pass which Powell failed to reach. Half-time:—Hawkins, 1; Titania, 0.

Kerridge took the field on the game restarting and the second half opened almost the same as the first, only this time luck favoured the Titania. From the centre-kick, Garside went down and sent in a shot for Jones to catch and throw away, but Powell running up the ball struck him and rebounded into the net beyond the reach of Jones. Thus the scores became one all. Each side struggled hard for the lead and the exchanges became a trifle rough, but Mr. Jones kept the players well in hand. Yeoman, in attempting to save from Burd, turned the ball round the post and the Hawkins were awarded a corner. Edwards sending the ball behind from the flag kick, Play continued very fast, but the defence on both sides was sound. Humphries playing a grand game and being well supported by his partner. Hendry headed clear from a corner well taken by Edwards and the Titania went down where Jones cleared a shot from the goal. Hawkins soon transferred the match.

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The game was well contested during the second half, the Hawkins doing most of the attacking. Towards the close, the Titania held the upper hand as the Hawkins men found the distance (45 minutes in each half) was beyond their staying power. The gate receipts and collecting boxes realised over £700 from which printing expenses will have to be deducted, leaving a good balance to be handed over to the fund. The Navy are to be congratulated on the success of the match.

A CAMPHOR DEAL.

Failure to Take Delivery.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before the acting Chief Justice (Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz), Yuet On Hong merchants, carrying on business at 174 Des Voeux Road Central claimed \$9,140.20 from Leung Ho-tat merchant of 8 Des Voeux Road Central.
Under a contract in writing dated 23rd December, 1919, plaintiffs sold to the Yee Shou Hong 50 piculs of camphor of \$335 per picul, goods to arrive within 90 days and full delivery to be taken one week after arrival. The defendant in writing guaranteed the performance of the contract by the firm. The firm, in breach of the contract, refused to accept the goods, whereby plaintiffs suffered damage to the extent of \$9,140.20. In the particulars of claim it was stated that the contract price of the camphor was \$16,780.00, \$2,500 had been received on account, \$5,250 was realised as the result of the sale by auction, expenses incurred amounted to \$140.20, leaving \$9,140.20 claimed for.
Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Johnston, Stokes and Master), who appeared in support of the claim, explained that the action was against the defendant as guarantor of a contract for the sale of certain camphor. He then outlined the facts, adding that no statement of defence had been filed.
After evidence by the managing partner of the plaintiff firm, his Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiffs with costs.

THOUSANDS OF HOUSES DESTROYED BY FIRE AT TOKYO.

Total Loss Is Estimated at \$12,500,000.

The worst fire in a decade imperilled the entire city of Tokyo on the night of March 26. It destroyed thousands of houses in the northwest district of the city, injured 133 persons and rendered many thousands homeless.
It is estimated that the loss was \$12,500,000. The buildings destroyed included three hospitals, a bank, and several business houses.
A violent wind drove the flames toward the heart of the city four hours causing a panic. Four thousand troops aided the firemen, and only a cessation of the wind permitted the checking of the flames.
There were scenes of terror in many sections, the streets being choked with refugees, furniture loaded on carts, and many half-frozen fugitives, including mothers with infants in their arms.
The mounted police with difficulty restrained incipient panics in various sections. The Imperial Gardens were thrown open to the sufferers and the diet adjourned when the threatening nature of the fire was reported.

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DAY BY DAY.

Queen's College old Boys' Association is holding its annual dinner on the 23rd instant.

The Hongkong University Athletic Association's annual sports are to be held on Saturday next. Mrs. Claud Severn is to distribute the prizes.

It is stated that General Tang Chi-yao, former Tsuchun of Yunnan, who has been staying with his family in Hongkong for some time, has secured a big house in Macao, whither he will soon go.

The building accommodating the Alexandra Cafe, Messrs Mackintosh and the Anderson Music Company has been sold to Chinese interests by the Hongkong Land Investment Company, Limited, at \$50 per square foot.

A collision occurred between a tram and a public motor car at Shaukiwan yesterday afternoon. Part of the footplate of the tram was carried away by the impact, which occurred whilst the motor car was endeavouring to cross the road.

At the farewell dinner given to Mr. McIver at the Kam Ling Hotel on Saturday night (reported on another page) there were present the commodores from the C.P.O.S., the T.K.K., the J.C.J.L., the Pacific Mail, the N.Y.K., Dodwell and Co., as well as representatives from Nam Tai Co., Himly and Co., George Grimble and Company, China Merchants S.N. Co., the O.S.K., C.A.S.S. Co., Wing Kee and Co., and the Wo Fat Sing. Mr. Simon Tse Yan (the Chairman) proposed the toasts of "The Guests" and "The King," whilst Mr. George Grimble proposed "The President of China."

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The excellence of Moscatine in repelling mosquitoes and sandflies is told by Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co.—Page 6.
The season of the H. B. Waring Co. opens at the Theatre Royal on Monday next and the list of plays is advertised on Page 4.
Messrs. Lane Crawford & Co. announce that they have installed an up-to-date electric coffee roaster and grinder.—Page 3.
At the Coronet Theatre to-day the new serial, "Pirate Gold" is being commenced, in addition to which Harold Lloyd will be seen in "His Royal Snyness."—Page 7.
Broadwood pianos are advertised by the Anderson Music Co.—Page 7.
A cheap sale of lighting fixtures is being held by the Union Engineering Co.—Page 4.
Consignees of cargo per s.s. Campgaw from New York should consult the notice on Page 4.
The s.s. Telemachus has arrived and the usual notice to consignees appears on Page 4.
The programme of to-night's farewell performance of the Bandman Opera-Company is given on Page 4.
Consignees of cargo per the Arizona Maru should consult the notice on Page 4.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2s. 6½d.

The Weather.

2 p.m. Barometer—29.90. Temperature—73. Humidity—69.

Lighting-Up Time.

Lighting-up time to-night is 6.48 p.m.

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VALEDICTORY.

Dinner To Mr. McIver.

The popularity of Mr. M. McIver, Senior Boarding Officer of the Harbour Office, among the shipping fraternity, was demonstrated at a dinner given in his honour at the Kam Ling Hotel on Saturday night, by a number of well-known contractors, proprietors of shipping concerns, and passage and freight brokers. Mr. McIver is shortly relinquishing his post on retirement, and there were numerous expressions during the evening of bon voyage, happiness and prosperity.

The following were the hosts: Messrs. Cheek Yiu-fung, Chan Chou, Francisco Tse Yat, George Grimble, F. Gomes, Lee Mon Kow, Lo Shun Wan, Louis Quong, M. Rafeek, H. Seth, Sum Pak Ming, H. Sling, Simon Tse Yan, U. S. Wing, Yong Sing Kiu, Li Koon Cheun and Messrs. Wing Mow Sang & Co.

Proposing the health of Mr. McIver, Mr. Simon Tse Yan said: Gentlemen, My intention was that there should be no speech-making at this gathering, in order that we should be more at ease and do full justice to this delectable dinner; but I find it impossible, when we are specially gathered together to say farewell to such an old friend as Mr. McIver, to allow the occasion to pass without expressing the sentiments which my fellow hosts and I feel. Mr. McIver has been in the Colony for a good many years and has grown grey in the Government Service, and our good wishes can hardly be considered as adequate return for the valuable advice and assistance which he has always cheerfully given us, his obliging disposition and his charming geniality. Our only consolation for his departure is the hope that he will enjoy many years of retirement in the homeland in his little cottage by the sea and amid the glorious heather. We feel sure Mr. McIver's recollections of our friendship are as pleasant as ours. Gentlemen, we will now drink to the long life and happiness of our honoured guest and his family and also to a pleasant voyage. (Applause.)

The toast was enthusiastically honoured. After expressing his pleasure at being present, Mr. McIver said he deeply appreciated Mr. Simon Tse Yan's remarks, which he could hardly find words to reciprocate. Mr. Simon Tse Yan's speech was an undeserved eulogy of his work. One of the greatest privileges of a Civil Servant was that he could oblige the public, and the knowledge that he had done so was sufficient compensation for him. In conclusion, Mr. McIver wished his successor, Mr. Thomson, every success.

Mr. W. Russell, Marine Surveyor, suitably replied on behalf of the guests. The toasts of King George and the President of China, followed by a flashlight photo of the gathering, brought an end to a most enjoyable gathering.

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The astonishing statement that Asthma can be relieved instantaneously, coming from so well known authority as Dr. R. Schiffmann, will be of interest to asthma sufferers. The experience of most Asthmatics has been that little, if any, relief has been afforded them by the methods heretofore employed, as well as the disease has been regarded as incurable. This noted physician has, however, after a life-long study of Asthma and kindred diseases, discovered a remedy which instantly relieves the severest cases of Asthma, Hay Fever and Bronchitis. So complete is Dr. Schiffmann's confidence in his remedy that he requests this paper to announce that to-day and to-morrow he offers a liberal sample box of "Schiffmann's Asthmador" free of charge to all persons applying at The Pharmacy 22, Queen's Road Central.

Dr. Schiffmann believes that an actual test will be the most convincing, and in fact the only way to overcome the natural prejudice of thousands of Asthmatics who have heretofore sought relief in vain. Persons residing in other localities, outside of this city, who desire to try this medicine, will be sent a free sample package per post, providing they send simply their name and full address (no other writing) on a post card, within the next six days to Muller and Phipps (Asia) Ltd., P. O. Box 25 Hongkong.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE COAL CRISIS.

London, April 9.

A deputation of Railwaymen and Transport Workers will call on the Premier this morning to explore the possibilities of the industrial situation.

The Navy Class B of the Fleet Reserve and the Army Classes B and D have been called up. The Air Ministry appeals for the services of demobilised flying officers. Class B of the Army Reserve consists of professional soldiers and Class D chiefly of discharged men who accepted Reserve Service obligations since 1st July last with payment of a shilling a day. Hence the war time volunteers and conscripts are not included. Altogether 62,000 Army men and 36,000 Navy men are affected by the proclamation. The authorities of the War Office deprecate suggestions that the troops will be used for strike breaking.

Disturbing reports of lawlessness come from Northumberland and Durham where 127 and 229 collieries respectively are idle. A number of incendiary fires were started including a large dismantled aerodrome on the town moor at Newcastle which was entirely destroyed. The watchman, who was found bound and gagged, stated that he was attacked by masked men whom he alleged were armed with revolvers. Simultaneously two hundred tons of hay for the pit ponies were burned at the Beedington Colliery. The Company's farm was attacked and the forage destroyed. There were several other farm fires. Several attempts to wreck telegraph wires were made between Jarrow and South Shields. Telegraph poles were cut down. Some arrests were made. The outrages are attributed to Sinn Feiners who have not been slow to take advantage of the unsettled conditions. Tragic consequences are threatened in Rhondda Valley following last night's withdrawal of the safety men from Glamorgan collieries. At Llynypia, five thousand gallons of water were being pumped out every hour. The manager of the Cambrian Combine collieries declares that if the decision is not revoked all the pits in the area will be flooded by sunset.

London, April 10.

A Deputation of Railwaymen and Transport Workers waited on the Premier this morning ostensibly to commend the strike decision of the Triple Alliance, but it is generally regarded as an initial effort to secure an outlet from the deadlock. There is a strong feeling that the week-end must be utilised to avert a catastrophe.

Reports from Glasgow, Edinburgh, Liverpool, Dudley and other railway centres show that the railwaymen disapprove of their Executive's strike action, and it is expected that at least fifty per cent. will remain at work. The Government's promise of protection for volunteer pumpmen has resulted in a good response to the coal-owners' appeal and pumping at the pits has increased.

Throughout the country scenes reminiscent of early war time recruiting have been witnessed at the enlistment centres since dawn.

Representatives of the Railwaymen and Transport workers have already held two prolonged conferences with the Premier and members of the Government to-day. A third meeting is probable.

Chambers, agent of the Middlethian and Hadlington Miners' Association, has been arrested at Balkeith, with two miners, and remanded on a charge of rioting at the collieries. Five miners have been remanded at Hamilton, Lanarkshire, on a similar charge.

At the conclusion of the meeting of the Triple Alliance, it was officially stated that the miners and coal-owners would confer again on Monday morning, also that the Miners' Federation will to-night issue notices to the branches of the Federation urging all members to abstain from all action which will interfere with the measures necessary for the safety of the mines or which will necessitate the use of force by the Government.

The Triple Alliance's dramatic announcement is hailed with more than a gleam of hope. It came late at night, following a continuous series of conference all day, accompanied by warlike preparations, heavy recruiting and the despatch of naval men to the mining districts. A Cabinet meeting attended by Earl Beatty and Marshal Wilson was followed by comprehensive military preparations, including the appointment of the Earl of Cavan as G. O. C. of London and the distribution of troops among the strategic centres. The main virtue of the new development, while at present not substantially changing the position of the strikers, is the removal of the initial obstacle, whereafter negotiations, though admittedly difficult, will be conducted in a more conciliatory atmosphere. Also prospects are held out for cancellation of the railway and transport strike.

The more hopeful situation is due to a new proposal by Mr. Lloyd George to the Railway and Transport Workers delegates yesterday, namely, that the Government would not insist on the engineers returning to work, but the miners must agree not to interfere with volunteer pumpmen. The Railway and Transport Workers leaders have urged the miners to accept the proposal, and finally the Triple Alliance issued an official statement, cabled on April 9th.

London, April 9.

The British coal crisis is having an overshadowing influence on the stock market. Its condition is not merely panicky but money is tighter. Exporters of coal are besieged with inquiries and are preparing heavy movement to all parts of the world.

CHINESE STUDENTS IN BRITAIN.

London, April 9.

Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese Ambassador, in a statement to a representative of the "Manchester Guardian," referred optimistically to the outlook in China. He expressed gratification at the increase of Chinese students in Great Britain and the British desire to attract more.

TAUNTON BY-ELECTION.

London, April 10.

Taunton election, due to the resignation of Colonel Dennis Bowles, resulted: Rt. Hon. Sir A. Griffith Boscawen, Minister of Agriculture, 12,994; Mr. Lunnon (Labour) 8,290.

Majority of 4,704 in favour of the Coalition Unionist candidate. At the last election, Colonel Dennis Bowles had a majority of 7,803.

NEW GREEK CABINET.

Athens, April 10.

M. Calogeropoulos has resigned the Premiership. M. Gounaris has formed a new Cabinet, with M. Balazzi as Foreign Minister and M. Theotokis as Minister of War.

BANK SUSPENDS PAYMENT.

New York, April 10.

It is reported from Havana that the Banco Nacional de Cuba has suspended payment.

OBITUARY.

London, April 9.

The death is announced of the most Rev. William T. Walsh, D.D., Archbishop of Dublin.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

AUSTRALIA AND JAPAN.

Melbourne, April 10.

Speaking in the House of Representatives, Mr. Hughes said that Australia had no quarrel with America or Japan. Australia had her ideals and Japan had hers. For all practical purposes Australia saw eye to eye with the Western States and America. It was utterly wrong of the Japanese to think that because Australia passed certain laws they regarded the Japanese as their inferiors. Australia's treatment of Japanese compared favourably with Japanese treatment of foreigners generally.

FRANCE'S WAR STRICKEN DISTRICTS.

Paris, April 9.

The French press is unanimous in approving M. Briand's stern declaration as reflecting the country's opinion exactly. Speaking before the Senate, M. Briand to-day gave the lie to the German allegations representing the French Government as purposely neglecting the war stricken districts. Eighty per cent. of the devastated acreage is now again under cultivation and fifty per cent. of the factories are working. The railway lines are almost fully restored. By an overwhelming majority the Senate asserted full confidence in the Government.

LIFEBOAT DISASTER.

Amsterdam, April 10.

In response to distress signals by the German schooner Juliana, the lifeboat Schiermonnikog put to sea to render assistance, but capsized, two of the crew being drowned.

U.S. NAVAL BALLOON RECOVERED.

New York, April 10.

A fishing boat picked up the Naval balloon mentioned on 31st March. There is no trace of the occupants.

ARCTIC EXPLORATION.

New York, April 10.

The schooner Bowdoin has been launched at East Boothby, Maine. She is specially constructed to carry Donald MacMillan and three scientists for two years on an Arctic exploration in July.

DEMPSEY-CARPENTIER FIGHT.

New York, April 10.

Tex Rickard has at last announced that the Dempsey-Carpentier match will be held in the State of New Jersey on July 2nd.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL.

London, April 9.

In an International Association Football match at Glasgow, Scotland beat England by 3 goals to nil. At Swansea, Wales beat Ireland by 2 goals to 1.

Paris, April 9.

At Rugby, France beat Ireland by 20 points to 10.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

KANSU EARTHQUAKES.

Shanghai, April 10.

A China Press wire from Ku Yuan states: The earthquakes investigators have arrived, after passing through the centre of the earthquake district to Ching Ning. They report sixteen immense landslides in Shing Ning valley, burying villages and damming streams. The land is flooded, threatening further destruction, equalling that of the earthquake disaster. They are convinced the most necessary and only effective relief is an immediate immense excavation, continuing to the summer rains giving an opportunity of extending labour on a large scale. Shocks continue, particularly in the northern quake belt. They are inconsequential, but are terrifying the populace. The earth has been quaking daily since December 16. The cold is intense and the situation desperate.

CHINESE TENNIS INTERPORT.

Singapore, April 9.

The Chinese lawn tennis players leave for Hongkong by the Nile on Monday. They include Tan Chong Kee and Chia Keng Tye of Singapore, and Chung Ah Ming and Chung Chee Seng of Ipoh.

THE SINGAPORE SIRIKE

Singapore, April 9.

The strike has extended to the mechanics of the motor garages.

NEW PASSENGER STEAMERS.

Shanghai, April 10.

Thousands viewed the s.s. Golden State, the first of the new passenger liners to reach here. The Pacific Mail Company is having an all day reception.

CHINESE DEVELOPMENT

Shanghai, April 10.

A Chinese corporation has been launched with \$2,000,000 capital, over-subscribed, planning development on lines hitherto neglected by Chinese.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Shanghai, April 10.

The Municipal Council has sounded a call to ratepayers to attend the annual meeting on Thursday.

HOLLAND TO JAVA.

Singapore, April 9.

The Dutch aviator, Lieutenant Goedhart, is ready for a hydroplane flight from Holland to the Dutch Indies.

THE SHIPPING SLUMP.

Singapore, April 9.

The Dutch shipping companies are considering laying up tonnage, unless the situation improves speedily.



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COMMERCIAL CONDITIONS IN THE UNITED STATES.

A Survey of the Factors.

A recent issue of the bulletin of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York states that improvement in the United States business situation as a whole continues slowly, but more or less steadily. While the textile industries of New England are resuming operations, and farm products are moving more quickly, there are evidences of slackening activity in the steel and iron centres, and idle railroad rolling stock is increasing. Wholesale dealers and jobbers complain that while their prices have been reduced to costs, retailers continue to place orders on the day-to-day basis. The retailers declare that their prices are at rock bottom, and that offers of big reductions from the sale prices of a few months ago obtain no response from the ultimate consumer, who expects prices which would represent too big a loss to the stores, despite the apparent opportunity to re-place at lower levels.

The consumer, on the other hand, has failed to be convinced by the fact that the price drop in this country is the most precipitated on record, and that he should not wait for a greater fall, if each element in the country is to do its share toward the maintenance of an orderly, conservative and safe readjustment. This attitude is due in part, of course, to the consumer's loss in buying power resulting from reduced wages, part-time work, and unemployment. The effect is seen in the decrease in railroad traffic, in the diminished bank clearings, in the falling off of mail orders, in the effort which producers are making to contract their cost expenditures. This last involves further wage reductions and a whole train of attendant circumstances.

CONSTRUCTIVE FACTORS.

Holding the controlling lever and given promise of approaching stability, however, are those factors in the situation which lie on the constructive side of the problem. Arrangements are being made to dispose of a large part of the country's copper surplus through private financing. The War Finance Corporation has made a survey of the markets and this country's ability to supply them. The Foreign Trade Financing Corporation is being organized to furnish credits to cover exportation of American products. There is a disposition on the part of industrial enterprises to avoid complete disintegration of their working forces or scrapping of their plants. In a dozen directions efforts are being made to extend business or at least to hold fast. Many look to see the traditional dullness of February give way to an Easter revival of old-time proportions. It is a period where constructive planning and optimism as to the future prevail over the mere surface conditions. Hence the perceptible feeling everywhere that the trend inclines toward improvement.

THE PRICE MOVEMENT.

During the third week of January the decline in wholesale prices continued but more slowly than during the first two weeks of the year. In the following week the rate of decline was accelerated, while during the first week of February the number of advances in the wholesale prices of household commodities as compared with the declines swung upward. Last week the declines were again in the majority. By the end of the month a comparison will probably show a net decline, but, as was the case for the month of January, at a slower pace than during the preceding month. In the opinion of business men who perceive the difficulties in the way of recovering from a severe setback, a normal condition would in the end have been reached more quickly had the sweep of price reductions inaugurated last year not been so intense and so wide.

FOREIGN TRADE IN 1921.

With exports valued at \$8,288,759,000 and imports valued at \$5,279,398,000, the foreign trade of the United States during 1920 exceeded all previous records. The figures show that exports were one-third greater than those in 1913 and our imports were nearly three times those of that year. As compared with 1919 our exports increased from \$7,920,425,000 to \$8,228,759,000, or by \$308,334,000. Imports, on the other hand, increased from \$3,804,364,000 to \$5,279,398,000, or by \$2,275,034,000. Our favourable balance of trade, as a result of these shifts in the course of

trading, was reduced from \$4,015,061,000 in 1919 to \$2,949,361,000 in 1920.

During 1920 there were increases in United States exports to Germany, Spain, Canada, Central America, Mexico, Cuba, Argentina, Brazil, Chili, Uruguay, China, British India, Dutch East Indies, Japan, Australia, Philippine Islands, British South Africa, and Egypt. The most notable increase was of course, in the case of Germany, which took merchandise to the value of \$31,437,000 as compared with \$92,761,000 in 1919. As for our imports they were increased from every country except Greece, Spain, Brazil, Uruguay, Australia, and British South Africa. Imports from Belgium increased from \$7,000,000 to \$17,443,000; from France, from \$123,819,000 to \$165,654,000; from Germany, from \$10,608,000 to \$88,836,000; from the United Kingdom, from \$309,189,000 to \$513,846,000; from Cuba, from \$418,610,000 to \$721,695,000; from Egypt, from \$39,628,000 to \$97,015,000.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

The report of the Department of Commerce on the foreign trade of the United States during 1920, coming at a time when the European statesmen were gathered to discuss the amount of reparations money to be paid by Germany, has directed attention to the matter of foreign exchange, and the question of its course in the immediate future is being eagerly discussed. A sudden showing of strength by Sterling during the last week of January, which was accompanied by a rise in Continental exchange, was interpreted as reflecting the prospect of an early and definite settlement of the amount which Germany would be compelled to pay. Sterling exchange went to \$3.89, the highest point touched since July of last year. The percentage of gain was even higher in the case of some Continental exchanges. There was also read into the rise the fact that general economic conditions are improving rapidly in the leading countries of Europe. In the case of Great Britain, while detailed figures are not available, it is probable that the current balance of trade is in her favour, not considering that much of her renewed foreign business is being done on long term credits. Demand bills on London sold from \$3.79 to \$3.81½ last week. During the same week a year ago the rates ranged from \$3.19 to \$3.49½. The low rate for the present year is \$3.53½.

The decision of the Entente Allied statesmen as to the sum Germany must pay, together with the provisions for a tax upon her exports for many years to come, was followed by a decline in European exchange.

THE BOND MARKET.
While the stock markets continue dull, with irregular surges, and there is but slight interest in bond trading, the market for new securities has steadily gained in strength since the first of the year. The demand for new capital and refunding money comes from all sections of the country and from a variety of interests. Municipal and public utilities issues are strongly represented both in long term and short term financing and there have been some notable borrowings on the part of railroads, many of which have been hard pressed by the delay of Congress in providing for partial payments of the amounts owed to them as a result of Governmental management of the roads. Foreign loans have not figured largely up to the present, but the sustained strength of the market has evoked the belief that European and South American countries will presently begin negotiations for credits here. The total amount of the issues since January 1 is above \$500,000,000, and in many instances they have been oversubscribed within an hour or two after the opening. Reports from Europe indicate that American capital is being invested directly in a considerable number of industrial enterprises now reaching toward a recovery of the pre-war business.

THE MONEY MARKET.
After ruling steadily at 7 per cent. during the week ending January 28, the rate for call money in New York, which had eased during the first three weeks of the year, became firmer last week. On February 2, the high of the week, 9 per cent. was established. This was followed by an 8 per cent. rate for the week end carry-over. Of the causes assigned for the upward swing in this market, that most generally accepted was the drawing upon New York banks by their Western correspondents for funds to meet current needs while their own

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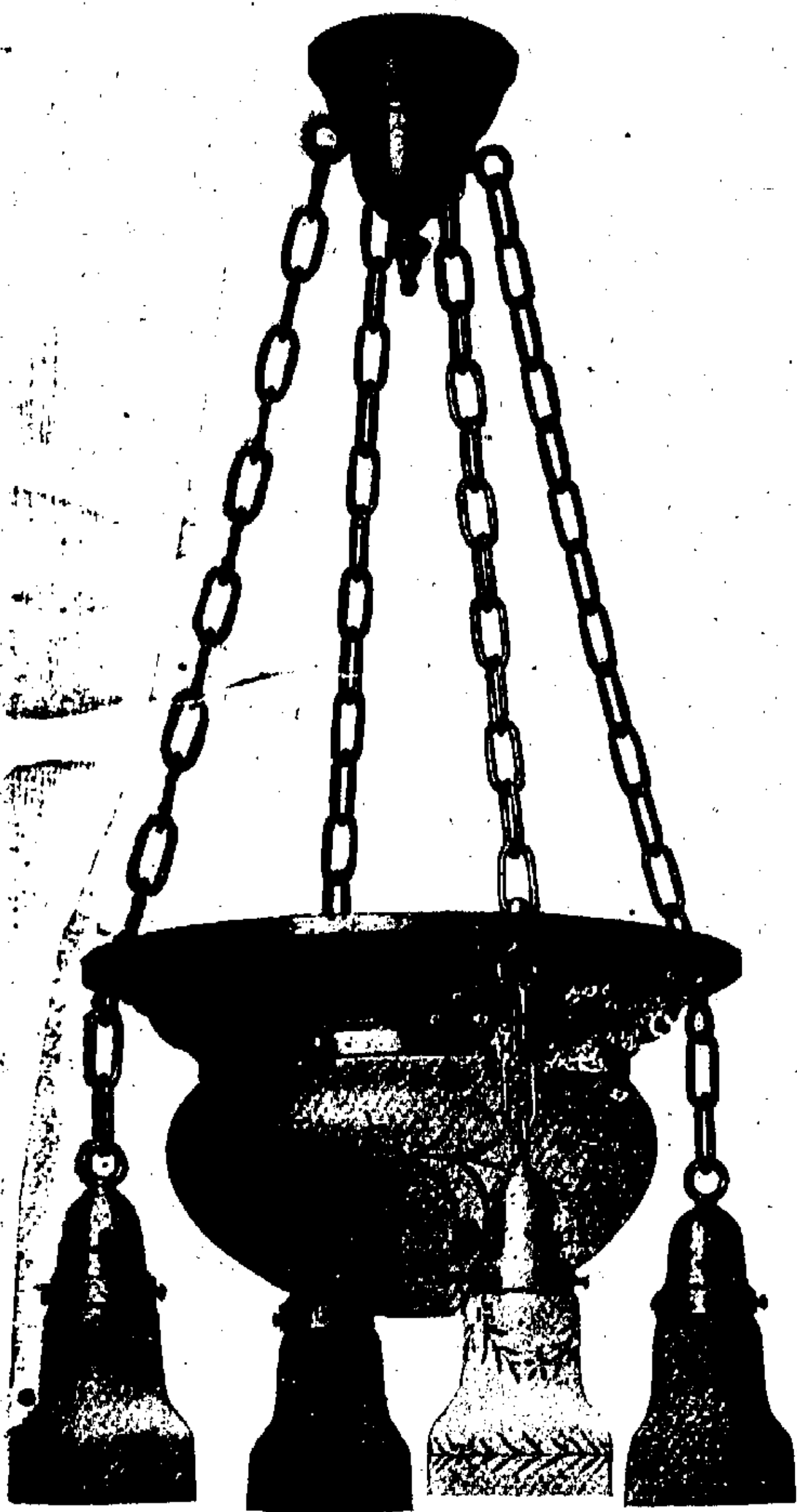
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PHILIPPINES A RE "UNORGANIZED U. S. TERRITORY"

A Notable Decision.

In admitting Mr. Max Schoep to practice law in the Philippines, he having been admitted to the New York bar and practiced there more than the five years required by Philippine law, the Philippine supreme court has decided definitely that the Philippines are an unorganized territory of the United States.

Associate Justice George A. Malcolm wrote the long decision, in which all the court then sitting concurred (Chief Justice Mapa and Associate Justices Johnson, Araullo, Street, Avancena and Villamon).

The following is quoted from a ruling of the attorney-general of the United States:

"While, like Porto, Rico, the Philippine Islands are not incorporated in the United States, they clearly are territory of the United States, and to the extent that Congress has assumed to legislate for them, they have been granted a form of territorial government, and to this extent are a territory." (30 Op. Atty. Gen., U. S. 462, reversing 24 Op. Atty. Gen., U. S. 549.)

"It seems clear," says the Philippine court, "that the Philippine islands are not 'another country'—referring to a second paragraph in the New York provision for recognition of the status as attorneys of applicants from another country whose jurisdiction is based on the principles of the English common law. The Court adds:

"It is not believed that the New York court intended the word territory to be limited to the technical meaning of organized territory, or it would have used the more accurate expression. The full phraseology, 'any state or territory of the American Union,' indicates a sweeping intention to include all of the territory of the United States, whatever the political subdivision might be, as distinguished from foreign country. Otherwise, the Philippine Islands would be in an anomalous position like unto Edward Everett Hale's 'Man Without a Country'—a land neither 'another country,' nor a 'state,' nor

a 'territory'—a land without status."

This is quoted from a former decision (37 Phil. 137), as to basic law here:

"To elucidate—the principles of the Anglo-American Common Law are for the Philippines, just as they were for the State of Louisiana and just as the English Common Law was for the United States, of far-reaching influence. The Common Law is entitled to our deepest respect and reverence. The courts are constantly guided by its doctrines. Yet it is true as heretofore expressly decided by this Court that—neither English nor American Common Law is in force in these Islands, nor are the doctrines derived therefrom binding upon our courts, save only in so far as they are founded on sound principles applicable to local conditions, and are not in conflict with existing law." (U.S. vs. Cuna (1908), 12 Phil., 241.)"

Then the court says: "What we really have, if we were not too modest to claim it, is a Philippine Common Law influenced by the English and American Common Law, the *derecho comun* of Spain, and the customary law of the Islands and built on a case law of precedents. Into this Philippine Common Law, we can properly refuse to take a rule which would stop other courses of reasoning and which, because of a lack of legal ingenuity would permit men guilty of homicide to escape on a technicality."

"At this juncture, three years after the last quoted comment, the influence of English and American jurisprudence can be emphasized even more strongly. A survey of recent cases in the Philippine reports, and particularly those of the last few years, shows an increasing reliance upon English and American authorities in the formation of what may be termed a Philippine common law, as supplemental to the statute law of this jurisdiction."

An analysis of the citations in the latest 20 volumes of Philippine reports shows that 3,810 of them are from United States cases and 2,752 from Philippine cases. The court therefore says, "the jurisprudence of this jurisdiction is based upon English common law in its present day form of Anglo-American common law to an almost exclusive extent."

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of Members will be held in the Pavilion of the Club on Thursday the 14th of April 1921 at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of submitting the following resolutions.

1. That the present Hongkong Cricket Club be wound up, and the committee be authorised to take all necessary steps for that purpose.

2. That the committee be authorised to register a Company Limited by guarantee not exceeding \$100 per member, on the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association which will be submitted to the meeting.

3. That the committee be authorised to assign and hand over to the new Company, when registered, all the assets of the Club.

Should the proposed resolutions be passed at this meeting a subsequent confirmatory meeting will be called.

Copies of the proposed Memorandum and Articles of Association may be seen by members at the Pavilion.

By order of the Committee

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Hongkong, 6th April, 1921.

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THE THREAT TO THE NATION.

Britain, like other countries, has had a full share of industrial disputes in these latter days. Many of them have been serious. No development has been quite comparable, however, to that which threatens the country just now. Reuter speaks of a situation which "practically amounts to civil war." The words may well be pondered, whether the peril materialises in the present case or not. Just as a revolution may happen without a shot being fired, a state tantamount to civil war might exist without the parties coming into forcible collision. The Triple Alliance, which has made gestures with the Damoclean sword on previous occasions, has now voted for a strike by all its constituent industries at midnight to-morrow unless something fresh develops; and thus the immediate danger of a suspension not only of coal supplies but of the railways and the general transport services is upon the country. Manifestly, the entire industrial organisation is thereby threatened. Starvation has shown itself to be a no less potent peril than the sword, and such a menace presents itself in more than one aspect. An enormous number of workers will be thrown out of employment in addition to the two million composing the Triple Alliance, and even for people with money the situation may become hazardous, with food production impeded and the means of distribution held up.

The question of a National Wages Board, with a national pool, eminently important as it is, has been overshadowed by the present dangers. Of immediate consequence is the risk of the flooding of the mines, which constitutes a challenge not only to the owners and the Government (to say nothing of the miners themselves), but to the nation. It is a threat that cannot readily be overestimated. In the first two or three days of the strike cases of the irreparable flooding of mines were reported, and every day increases the peril. If the major calamity be averted, as there are grounds for believing it will be through the loyalty of officials and volunteers, the damage may still be very great.

Later advices suggest an easing of the tension, and it may be that the Triple Alliance, having beckoned the Frankenstein monster, recoils from the consequences. The Alliance might well be alarmed viewing the matter simply from the industrial and economic standpoint, which, as intimated, would suffice practically to constitute "a state of civil war"; and there is no assurance that matters would stop there. Indeed, one cares not to prophesy where the conflict would end. Happily, there are some brighter tokens. The messages from home indicate that already considerable bodies of workers belonging to the Triple Alliance itself are opposed to a general strike, and demand its postponement and a ballot. Most gratifying is the response to the Government's appeal. There is an unpleasant sound about the news that recruiting offices resemble the early days of the war, but also an encouraging note, signifying as it does that the nation is ready to co-operate in the preservation of law and order. There cannot well be any suggestion that these measures are designed to coerce the strikers—the Premier has even abandoned the condition that the Federation shall sanction the return of the pumpmen, stipulating only that volunteers shall not be interfered with. As was pointed out in Parliament, a Labour Government would be compelled to take just the same precautions. The predicament justifies the haste with which the Emergency Powers Act was placed on the Statute-book at the time of the coal strike last year. At present we lack precise details of the matters in dispute, and one can but hope that a reasonable interpretation of the problem by both sides will yet obviate a catastrophic upheaval.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

In Appreciation.

We have not yet noticed very much said regarding the new motor road to the Peak. It is true that Mr. Pollock has entered his protest against it (on the ground that it will disturb the peace and quiet of our most select neighbourhood) and that quite a number of motorists have made the picturesque ascent. But, surely there might have been a word of appreciation said for the surveyors and designers of what is undoubtedly the most remarkable road in the Colony. The climb right from Morrison Hill to the summit is one of almost perfect gradient and the manner in which really awkward corners have been avoided is a tribute to the designing skill of our P.W.D. staff. There is only one bad twist, that being the hairpin bend where the road crosses the Bowen Road level, though it is difficult to see how that could have been avoided. There are plenty of people prone to criticise our P.W.D. on the slightest provocation without ever thinking to acknowledge a piece of good constructive work. When we think that events justify criticism we generally administer it, but because over the week-end we have had opportunity of testing the splendid construction of the Wanchai Gap motor road we should like to sound this note of appreciation. The present ugly scars on the hillside will soon be clothed in verdure and the Colony will be able to boast not only of one of the most beautifully scenic roads in the world but also one of the best designed. There may be differing opinions as to the road's necessity but there can scarcely be two opinions as to the manner of its building.

The Trade Slump.

The crisis created at Home by the coal strike was quite sufficient bad news for one day, but on Saturday Reuter was anything but cheering in telling us of the acute trade slump as revealed by the Board of Trade returns for March. As compared with a year ago exports were down by 37 millions and imports down by 83 millions. Realising that, one can better appreciate the seriousness of the present labour troubles. Of course, trade depression is common to the whole world just now and the only thing that will cause a revival is the final settling of the host of international questions that still remain in the discussion stage. The world is not suffering from over-production, it is suffering from a lack of confidence. Some of the bigger nations are still watching each other with open suspicion and in the world of finance caution is far more in evidence than enterprise. Diplomacy has failed to bring us the order and quiet that it might and one cannot help thinking of all that was said during the war regarding the inevitable passing of secret negotiations. The world is probably unripe for that stage, but it has waited a long time (and with patience) for the passing of the war's after effects. When statesmen complain against labour troubles they should remember that for the present distress in the labour world they are largely responsible, because they have failed to create that feeling of international security on which all industrial prosperity is based. The complete settlement of international problems would inevitably coincide with a reinvigoration of the world's industrial machinery.

BANDMAN SEASON.

"The Shop Girl", which the Bandman Opera Company staged on Saturday night at the Theatre Royal, is not so much a musical comedy as a play with music. It starts off with a theme familiar to all. There is plenty of fun in the idea and in the working out of the scheme. The house was packed again, and the play was enjoyed immensely. Miss Dolly Prince as the Shop Girl sang and danced well, while the other parts were in very capable hands. The Company brings its season to a close to-night with a pot-pourri programme instead of "Afghan", the reason being that Mr. Leyland Hodgson who has a principal part in the play, is still in hospital.

Record business has been done by the Company, not only in Hongkong but in Singapore, Cebu, and other places. Its return to the Colony from Shanghai is looked forward to with keen interest, as the Company's repertoire is a long one, and there are many new plays that they intend to stage on their return here.

DAY BY DAY.

IF THE MINDS OF MEN WERE LAID OPEN, WE SHOULD SEE BUT LITTLE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THAT OF THE WISE AND THAT OF THE FOOL.—Addison.

One fatal case of small-pox (Chinese) was notified on Saturday.

Mr. M. K. Lo is one of the new J.P.'s just appointed. He was gazetted under his full name of Mr. Lo Man-kam.

The semi-final for the Billiard Handicap held at the Palace Hotel, between E. Guimaraes and A. J. Osmond, will be played to-night, Monday 11th, at 9 p.m.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 26th March, amounted to 94,839 tons and the sales during the period, to 75,767 tons.

There is a possibility of a Hongkong branch of the British Legion being formed in the near future. The Legion is a combination of associations of ex-Service men.

Charged with being in possession of 2,050 cigarettes on which duty had not been paid, a Chinese who was arrested on the Hau Tak Wharf gave the plea that the call of friendship had compelled him on behalf of an acquaintance to perform this risky undertaking of smuggling it ashore from the steamer Tai Leo. He was fined \$75.

Alexander Lindsay Wood, as early as ten o'clock in the morning on Saturday, strode into the bar of the Hongkong Hotel and, without any provocation whatsoever, challenged all and sundry to a fight. He was told by the bar manager to leave, and he did, but returned two hours later, and again issued his challenge. Without much ado, he was grabbed by a policeman, and was this morning fined \$5 by the Magistrate.

Unrequited love is said to be the reason for the rash act of an eighteen-year-old Chinese girl in deciding to commit suicide by jumping from the Yaumati Ferry Boat yesterday. It was however considered strange that she should wait until the launch had got safely alongside the wharf before making the attempt, in full view of a hundred or more passengers, as they would of course not let her drown. She was fished out and removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

John Johnson, who celebrated the week-end in royal fashion, was this morning charged before Mr. G. N. Orme, at the Police Court, with being drunk and incapable, a condition which was too palpable when a policeman took him into his charge at Connaught Road West. The charge was met with a fine of \$5, Johnson's appeal for an extension of twenty-four hours to the period wherein he was required to pay this penalty being referred by the Magistrate to Inspector Willis, who conducted the case.

When charged this morning with stealing two chickens from the steamer Tai On, a thief told the Magistrate that they were given him as a present by a friend. Whatever effect the story may have had was spoiled by his later confession that the generous friend and he were total strangers to each other. Mr. Lindell asked the prisoner if he expected him to believe such a story. At this moment, one of the chickens gave a hoarse cackle, and his Worship remarked drily: "Even the chickens are protesting against your lie. Four weeks' hard labour and four hours' stocks."

They had a ferocious inmate at the No. 7 Police Station last night. He was Arthur Lee, a Chinese, who, lodged in the cell against his will, for being drunk and disorderly, vented his feelings on an overcoat (lent to him by a kind-hearted Inspector as a protection against the chilliness of the cell) with such effect that this article of apparel was torn into ribbons. Inspector Willis therefore set the ball at the abnormal sum of \$30, when he released the prisoner this morning, with an injunction that he should turn up later at the Police Court to be charged. The defendant did not appear before the Magistrate, and his bail was accordingly confiscated.

CURRENT COIN.

(By "Mercator.")

Seldom has there come my way such a valuable compendium of useful information as that published by the Economic Resources Committee, in its series of memoranda on the industries of the Colony of Hongkong. These will be treasured by numerous merchants and will serve to furnish all the information that a captain of industry would require when launching out on a venture in the Colony. The report is brimful of information of the state of present industries in the New Territories and elsewhere, the handicaps that they are suffering and how Government assistance could be rendered. The subjects dealt with by the Committee are too extensive to make more than a cursory glance at in a single article, and here it need be pointed out that the War has shown the imperative necessity of making every portion of the Empire industrially self-supporting, as far as this can possibly be achieved. It has clearly been established that, in very self-governed portion of the Empire, key industries and essential industries must be established and maintained. It is vain to hope or expect that we can maintain our position without far-reaching and continuous corporate action designed to assist and harmonise individual efforts, and to secure the maximum productive efficiency and output, with the minimum of waste of material and labour. In the case of the majority of the innumerable branches of production which are established in this Colony there will probably be no necessity for the Government to do more than to assist individuals so far as lies in its power by giving them all such facilities as it may be able to afford. There should, therefore, be little interference with industrial enterprise. It is essential that the Government should free itself entirely from past traditions.

The field of endeavour of the Economic Resources Committee covered merely a small portion of a far wider area which is concerned with the general relations of the Government to the individuals who run industries in the Colony. It should be an article of faith with the Government to allow small industries to pursue their business with less tantalising regulations. Experience and examination have shown that severe Government regulations are killing enterprise in the Colony, leading to much avoidable loss and suffering. These conditions cannot be allowed to continue, if the most is to be made of our resources. We must retrace our steps and follow the wise course. The Government must make the interests of the community its first care. National and financial considerations alike preclude us from continuing in the old pre-war ways. Opportunities for developing along new paths and by new methods exist, as the Economic Resources Committee abundantly illustrate, if we have the vision and imagination to perceive them, the grit to seize them and the energy to make use of them. It is impossible to review the extremely interesting memoranda published, but in this connection it is fitting to pay a tribute to the excellent work performed by Sir Robert Ho Tung.

Sir Robert Ho Tung has put the mercantile community of Hongkong under a very deep sense of gratitude for the piercing insight and the unbounded enthusiasm that he has brought to play in the enquiry. That a merchant prince of the various interests that Sir Robert is known to have could have found time to collate so much information as is contained in the Report speaks volumes for his public-spiritedness. I am sure that the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce as well as the Government appreciate it fully. He is one of the most enterprising and public-spirited Chinese in Hongkong. His exceptional ability, tact and sound judgment in all commercial matters have been recognised by us. In the course of the past twenty years or so, Sir Robert has been a generous benefactor to educational and philanthropic institutions in the Colony, and he has done remarkable public work. Only recently he gave further proof of his interest in the education of the Colony when he donated \$100,000 to the Government for the Hongkong University. He has assisted financially and otherwise in promoting and establishing many enterprises, adding mater-

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Then there were the comic groups, one of which, containing two members, Bright said that it was like a Yorkshire terrier, so covered in hair that you did not know which was head and which was tail. The famous Cave of Adullam was a true group, and the Tearoom party was another. There have been many clerical and many service groups, and there was nearly always a small Protection group in the great Free Trade era. The true group is not a subdivision of a party; it cuts across parties.

Queen Mary, who has had honorary degree of D.C.L. conferred upon her at Oxford, is already a doctor four times over. Wales made her Majesty Mas. Doc. in 1902, and London followed suit in 1903. Glasgow and Edinburgh have since enrolled her as L.L.D. The very rare distinction of an honorary degree of London is to be bestowed upon the Princess of Wales next Presentation Day. He is to be a Master of Commerce and Doctor of Science. Only on one occasion in the history of the University have honorary degrees been conferred. In 1903, when the King and Queen, then Prince and Princess of Wales, shared that privilege with Lord Kelvin and Lord Lister, both of whom are dead.

The war to the death declared against wild boars by the French Government will presumably put an end to the practice of keeping a marcellin, or baby wild boar as a pet. Marcellins are almost human in their cleverness, and gamekeepers on the big French estates where the wild boar flourishes make a good deal of money by supplying them (on loan, not "for keeps") to residents in the neighbourhood. They live in perfect amity with dogs and cats, and are a source of joy to children, for they are always ready for a game, and are full of varied and original antics. Its cousin the pig is the only animal to which the marcellin objects. Directly it sees a pig the marcellin's back goes up and its tiny tusk stiffens. In babyhood pleasant to stroke, but as it grows up the silky hairs are shed and bristles take their place. Then its temper becomes uncertain, and it is advisable to send it back into the forest, there to run wild and feed upon acorns and beech-mast, for if kept in confinement after attaining full boarhood it is apt to turn on its best friends.

Between Ourselves

By Robt. MacWhirter.

As the result of a week of ex-parte Reuterism, most of the dismal soothsayers in our midst, many of them of the "Shoot-'em-down" order, have had a busy week-end. Just what is really happening at Home at the moment none of us know. Speaking for myself, I'm going to wait for my *Times Supplement*. In the meantime I refuse to be scared into thinking that there's any real danger of my £19 14s. 7d. in the London Office of the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank being collared by the miners and being spent on bombs or beer. Nor do I believe for a minute that pitmen left their ponies to perish either through starvation or drowning. That's a damned lie. I know pitmen better than that.

Last year I saw some of this sort of thing. True I couldn't be everywhere at once, but the Home papers are no all spoon-fed wi' subsidised and predigested official communiques.

Consider for a moment what happened. We had a coal strike with a million miners idle, and then, as now, the miners didn't always behave as perfect little gentlemen. Then we had a big demonstration of unemployed which might well have been the cue for a general manifestation of indignation all over the country. Next the railwaymen were invited to strike and to do so. When troubles were still very serious, Terence MacSwiney died of an aching void and gave further cause for an uprising of all who sympathised wi' Ireland and those thousands who, like the poor, are always wi'

Our New Feature.

In order to assist shippers, merchants and our readers generally, we have instituted a new feature in *The Hongkong Telegraph* to-day, consisting of tabulated Port information. The aim is to give, under one heading, a ready reference for those desiring to know anything relating to the arrival, departure or movements of ships, the place of storage and other particulars regarding arrived cargoes, together with Post Office information.

The list is made up partly from official sources and partly from information contained in our shipping and consignees advertisements and we heartily solicit the co-operation of our advertisers in our endeavour to make the information as accurate and as comprehensive as possible. The list will appear daily on Page 9 and will be corrected to noon on the day of publication.

ially to the prosperity of the Colony. It is appropriate to remark here that when Sir Charles Bresford was commissioned by the Imperial Government and the Associated Chambers of Commerce to furnish a report on British trade and commerce in the Far East there was no more qualified to render him service than Sir Robert, and this was duly acknowledged.

It may also be recalled that Sir Robert during the rice trouble offered to bear the cost of transporting and handling of unlimited rice to be sold at cost. Although this relief measure was not accepted by the Government, we know what it has meant to the Colony, namely the loss of three million dollars. His example is worthy of emulation by the Chinese community. Apparently, the work on the Resources Committee has been too arduous for Sir Robert, for he leaves to-day for the North on a holiday. He goes, as the papers record, for a few months, and we trust that he will be rejuvenated by his stay in the North to pursue his work again. Of course, Sir Robert is convinced that there are great possibilities in the New Territories for agriculture, and I understand that the silk from his farm was sent to the Imperial Institute for the purpose of finding out its commercial value, and the report is extremely satisfactory.

us as well as "agin' the Government". Then Sylvia Pankhurst was arrested. Moreover, the ordinary pinpricks of life were going on as usual. Income tax was still being demanded, rates were being raised, bread went up in price, train services were cut down and Mr. Churchill brought out a new kind of hat.

And yet we kept our heads, albeit Communists were issuing manifestoes nightly from cold and windy street corners and cruel tales kept pouring in from the Green Sod. Mr. Thomas wrote a book which everyone praised and which no-one bought. Mrs. Asquith wrote another which nobody had any use for, but which had a bumper sale. Through it all, ordinary, common, everyday folk, the Adams who delve and the Eves who spin, and the many others who do neither, yet work, got on wi' the doings as usual and read the strike news at night.

What time the "Shoot-'em-down" tribe were getting excited. They felt sure it was coming. What? Christmas? The Millennium? No. Red Revolution! They would have special constables enrolled. Someone persuaded Earl Haig to write a pannaicky appeal, while others thought that notices should be posted warning folks to keep indoors during the shooting. Was there any shooting? Yes, of mouths. And nothing else happened. Maybe there's something different on this time, but, until we know for certain, let the "shoot-'em-downers" stick to their cocktails and their opinions. We're primarily a sane, level-headed people.

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THE BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIP.

A. J. Osmund becomes
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The deciding stage of the competition for the billiards championship of the Colony was reached at the Victoria Recreation Club on Saturday, when A. J. Osmund, winner of the qualifying tournament, clashed with the holder, F. Yvanovich. After a dour and for the most part a close struggle, the challenger wrested the title from the consistent cueist who has held it during the past twelvemonth. The winner looks just a youth, and is likely to become still better in a few years, especially as he has perseverance and appears not to suffer any handicap in the way of nerve troubles. For Yvanovich it must be said that he went down with colours flying. Though his opponent had a clear lead during the last lap, the holder continued to peg away to the end, in spite of a perverse disposition on the part of the balls.

During the afternoon session, which was witnessed by a fair attendance, there was never much between the rivals, the holder, with two breaks of 39, leading at the start, to be overhauled when the pair were engaged in some keen play around the 200 mark. Osmund during this moiety did not subscribe any larger compilation than 36, but was stringing up a succession of useful items.

As the rivals approached the interval the contest waxed particularly keen, first one and then the other gaining a lead. Eventually a halt was called with the scores: Osmund, 505; Yvanovich (to play), 484.

All the seating accommodation was occupied when play was resumed in the evening. The leader was not long in adding to his advantage, a run of 42, the highest so far of the day, being followed by 23 and 20. A rather unusual feature in competitive play occurred when Osmund twice screwed in off the red from baulk. Yvanovich was not idle, as he contributed several minor breaks, but could not persuade the balls to come just right for a substantial effort, so that when the three-quarter stage was reached the challenger had a three-figure lead. The holder contrived, however, to subscribe a run of 27, chiefly of the red.

The final stage was marked by the best breaks of the meeting. First the holder did something to clear off arrears with 19 and 37, but Osmund quite nullified these with an all-round break of 43, soon augmented by a fine compilation which realised exactly 50. The striker kept the balls well under control until the last scoring stroke, which left both balls awkwardly placed, and in attempting a thin cannon the cueist missed the object-ball. This took the scores to 893-730. Yvanovich still played up hopefully, and registered a break of 38, but with 27 (off the red) and other items Osmund ran out a winner by 126, the scores being: Osmund, 1000; Yvanovich, 874.

Presenting the trophies the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, Officer Administering the Government, congratulated the rivals on their excellent play considering the conditions, the table being on the slow side in consequence of damp having been admitted through repairing operations to the interior. The winner had shown promising form, and Mr. Yvanovich had continued to struggle right up to the winning stroke, notwithstanding that the handicap just mentioned had militated against a big break. The competition had been notable for the fact that two brothers had reached the final of the qualifying competition. Mr. Severn expressed thanks to the referee, Mr. John Rodger, whose office, however, had proved to be a sinecure owing to the sportsman-like methods of the players. Mr. Wittehell, the Hon. Sec., was also to be complimented upon the efficiency with which he had supervised arrangements.

The distribution of the prizes resulted in the Osmund family establishing something like a monopoly in the silver market. A. J. Osmund received the first prize (presented by Mr. William Farmer); the tournament prize (presented by the Club); the highest-break prize (69)—presented by Mr. C. H. Wylie, of the s.s. *Korea Maru*; and the Challenge Cup, which he holds for a year or until defeated. The winner's twin brother, L. A. Osmund, gained the remaining prize as runner-up.

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JAPAN TO ANSWER LANSING'S BOOK.

Foreign Office in Tokyo Preparing Statement.

The foreign office in Tokyo is preparing a statement in reply to certain portions of a book written by former secretary of State, Robert Lansing, and just placed on the market.

Several months ago it was engaged in writing a book reviewing events during his occupancy of the office of secretary of State, and that the book would be placed on sale on March fifth, the day after President Wilson left office.

Mr. Lansing was Secretary of State in President Wilson's cabinet from June, 1915 until February 1920, when he resigned after a disagreement with President Wilson. Before assuming the office of Secretary of State, Mr. Lansing was counsellor for the State Department. Upon the resignation of William Jennings Bryan as Secretary of State in June 1915, Mr. Lansing was appointed to that office by President Wilson.

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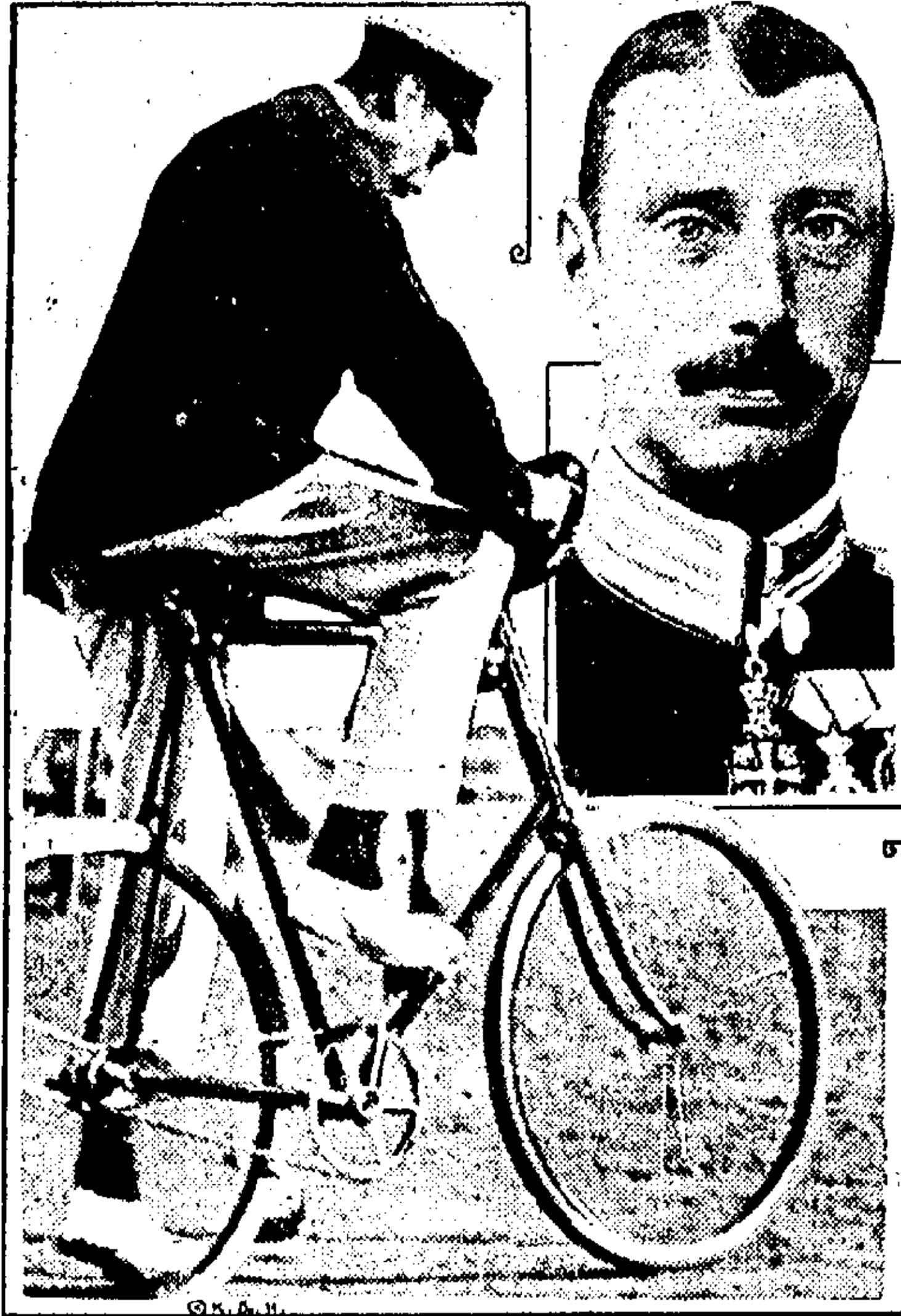
The Tables Turned.

Cook's Mate Shropshire, of H. M. S. Colombo, suffered from a distressful hallucination the other day. Somehow he managed to acquire the idea that somebody had stolen his pocket money, and Mr. Smith, the manager of a Canton motor garage, who arrived in the Colony on a visit, had the misfortune to be subjected to the seaman's attention. While proceeding along Queen's Road East in a ricksha, Mr. Smith was stopped by Shropshire, who accused him of stealing his money. An explanation that he had just arrived from Canton did not

appear to mollify the seaman, who would persist in bringing Mr. Smith to the Police Station. Here Shropshire used language expressive of disappointment in the fact that the money was not found on Mr. Smith's person, and not receiving the apology which was due to him under the circumstances, Mr. Smith charged the seaman with disorderly behaviour. The tables were turned, Shropshire being brought before the Magistrate this morning, who, after some examination, elicited the fact that Shropshire had been a prey to fancy, aggravated by drink. All recollections of his behaviour were lost to him, so Shropshire said when the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$15 preceded by a severe lecture.



CAMERA NEWS



DENMARK'S KING.

King Christian of Denmark (also inset) is here shown at his favourite sport—bicycling.



BACK FROM THE RHINE

These pictures portray the American occupation of the Coblenz area, Germany, which is terminated by the War Department's order to Maj. Gen. Henry T. Allen (left) to bring his 16,000 American soldiers home. The pictures show U.S. troops in Germany loading supplies for America, soldiers dancing with frauleins on the banks of the Rhine and a view of Coblenz showing the bridge across the Rhine.



MRS. MACSWINEY TO WED?

Dispatches from Ireland say that Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney (above), widow of the late lord mayor of Cork, is to wed Mr. A. O'Brien (below), secretary of the Irish Self-Determination League.



GREEK ROYALTY.

The latest photo of the King and Queen of Greece.



IRISH SUSPECTS.

The police and troops in Ireland continue to make raids in an effort to seize revolutionary leaders. After a recent round-up the suspects were lined up in the court house in Cork and questioned closely by officers.



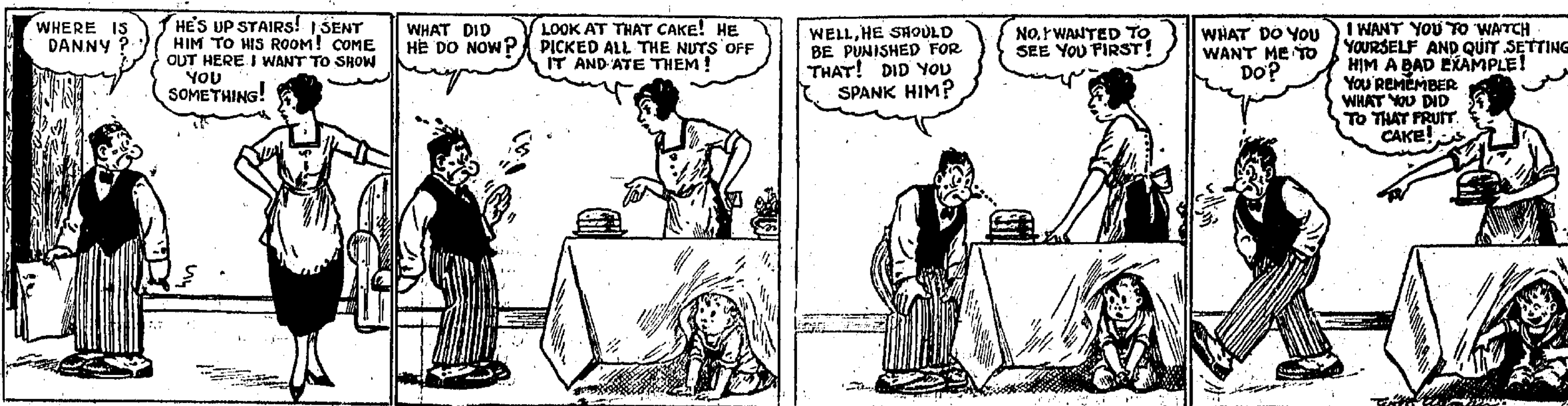
MR. EDWIN DENBY.

The new U.S. Secretary of Navy. He served ten years in the Chinese Maritime Customs service when a youth.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

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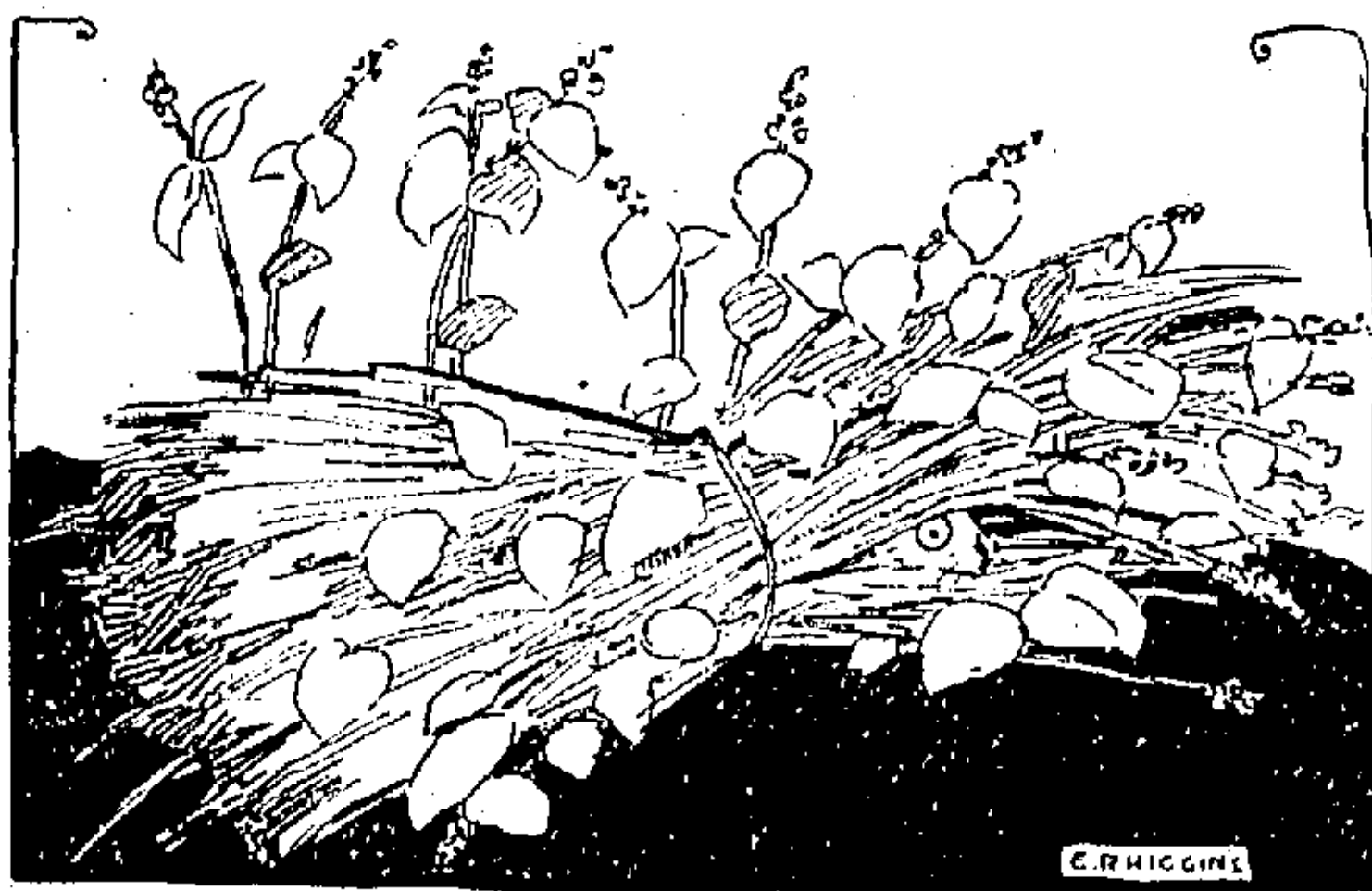
A PRISONER.

"What's happened?" cried Chip Chipmunk when he felt something grab him, in the buckwheat field, tie him up tightly in a dark place, then throw him violently to the ground.

But no one answered. The only sound he could hear, even faintly, from his dark dungeon, was the rattle, bang, buzz of the big thing that had been decided was a monstrous bee, the big iron thing that had gone on its way through the buckwheat field.

He couldn't move at first but gradually he wriggled and scratched and clawed until he got a little crack opened up where the daylight showed through, a crack just big enough for one eye to peep out.

Chip put his eye to the hole, and behold, he found out in a trice what had happened to him and what the thing was that was making the noise. It had wheels, and two horses were pulling it, and a



Chip put his eye to the hole.

man was driving. And it had sharp knives that were snipping off great armfuls of buckwheat stalks, then tying them up into bundles, and throwing the bundles on to the ground. Half of the field was covered with these bundles lying in straight rows like ranks of fallen soldiers. But he discovered another thing, of greater importance to him by far; he had discovered what had happened to himself.

Mind you, Chip was inside one of the bundles and tied up as tightly as an express package. He could use his paws a little and turn his head a bit, but his tail—his poor tail was tied right in with the buckwheat stalks and he knew he could never pull it out.

"Oh, dear, why did I play truant?" he began to whimper. "Why didn't I go to the Meadow Grove School like a good boy. I wonder if Nick will find me? Or Nancy!"

(To be continued to-morrow.)

PORT INTELLIGENCE.

The following shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:—

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Prosper	Yun Sung Fat	Saigon	C 39
Hanchow	B & S	Hongkong	C 33
Koshima Maru	N.Y.K.	Shanghai	Kowloon
Soochow	B & S	Shanghai	A 23
Telemachus	B & S	Liverpool	Holts Wharf
Protestant	B & S	Vancouver	Holts Wharf
Luongang	J.M. & Co.	Manila	C 25
Jushu Maru	M.B.K.	Manila	C 31
Medici Maru	M.B.K.	Hongkong	C 33
Indus Maru	O.S.K.	Mol	C 33 Wharf
Arizona Maru	O.S.K.	Manila	O.S.K. Wharf

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Amakusa Maru	O.S.K.	Swatow	10th
Aling	Nemance	Saigon	"
Tippans	J.C. & L.	Saigon	"
Halvard	Kin Tye Lung	Bangkok	"
Suiyang	Wu Fat Shing	Saigon	"
Chennu	B & S	Shanghai	"
Yoroppa Maru	Dodwell	Chungking	"
Shofuku Maru	Nagum Sang	Hongkong	"
Providence	K. Man Tai	Newchwang	"
Indus Maru	O.S.K.	Singapore	"
Pinnamud	J.M. & Co.	Singapore	"
Gregory Apoor	J.M. & Co.	Singapore	"

Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Tungshing	J.M. Co.	Shanghai	11th April
Footsang	J.M. Co.	Kobe	11th
Wm. H. Webb	Admiral Line	New York	11th
Cheongshing	J.M. Co.	Tientsin	11th
Nagoya	P.O.	Shanghai	12th
Sinkiang	B & S	Pukow	12th
Aki Maru	N.Y.K.	Japan	12th
Namsang	J.M. & Co.	Calcutta	12th
Lochow	B & S	Bangkok	12th
Tean	B & S	Amoy	12th
Easton	P.O.	Australia	13th
Takung	J.M. & Co.	Hoiphong	13th
Wah Ping	C.A.M.S.S.	Australia	14th
Takada	P.O.	Japan	14th
Soochow	B & S	Shanghai	14th
Chowang	J.M. Co.	Shanghai	14th
Cherillon Maru	N.Y.K.	Japan	14th
Dakar Maru	N.Y.K.	Japan	14th
Kamakura M.	N.Y.K.	Japan	15th
Footsang	J.M. & Co.	Bangkok	15th
Atrous	B & S	London	15th
Hailong	D.L. Co.	Foochow	15th
Iyo Maru	N.Y.K.	Japan	15th
Kitano Maru	N.Y.K.	Japan	15th
Klyber	P.O.	London	15th
Kioto	Bank Line	London	15th
Delight	F.W. & Co.	America Ports	15th
Luongang	J.M. & Co.	Manila	15th
Tsushima Maru	N.Y.K.	Japan	15th
Yingchow	Ad. Line	Hankow	15th
Crosskeys	Admiral Line	Tientsin	16th
Yamagata Maru	N.Y.K.	Seattle	16th
		Japan	16th

Shipping Movements.

(Supplied by our Advertisers.)

Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Nagoya	P.O.	Singapore	11th April
Telemachus	B & S	Singapore	11th April
Aki Maru	B & S	Singapore	11th April
Kashima M.	N.Y.K.	Sydney	11th April
Idomei M.	N.Y.K.	America	11th April
Methven	C.P.O.S.	Kobe	12th April
Atrous	B & S	Kobe	12th April
Perse	D. & Co.	Singapore	14th April
Iyo M.	N.Y.K.	Singapore	14th April
Tsushima M.	N.Y.K.	Calcutta	14th April
Kitano M.	N.Y.K.	Bombay	14th April
Kamakura M.	N.Y.K.	Japan	14th April
Dakar M.	N.Y.K.	Liverpool	14th April
Yamagata M.	N.Y.K.	Calcutta	15th April
Shingo Maru	T.K.K.	San Francisco	15th April
Hogobue	B & S	Port Said	20th April
Ava M.	N.Y.K.	Liverpool	24th April
Roses Castle	Bank Line	New York	12th May
Shidzoker M.	N.Y.K.	London	12th May

Consignees Diary.

(Compiled from our Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Goods Stored	Free Claims Storage to be Expires in by	Examination Date
Ben-hin	G.L. & Co.	Kowloon	April 13	April 13
Moorish Prince	B & S	Kowloon	April 16	April 16
Telemachus	B & S	Holts Wharf	April 16	April 16
West Camppaw	Ad. Line	Kennedy T.	April 18	April 18
Arizona M.	O.S.K.	Kowloon	April 17	April 21

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Straits	Shidzoker Maru	12th April
Europe via Suez (Letters only London and 10th March)		
Saigon	Glenfalloch	12th April
U.S.A. & Manila	Methven	12th April
Shanghai	Venezuela	12th April
Straits	Yingchow	13th April
Bombay	Iyo Maru	14th April
Japan & Shanghai	Yoroppa Maru	14th April
Straits	Tsushima Maru	14th April
Straits	Dakar Maru	14th April
Straits	Kamakura Maru	14th April
Straits	Yamagata Maru	15th April
Straits	Meinam	15th April

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Chefoo	Tai Lee	Tues., 12 April 5 p.m.
*Swatow & Bangkok	Haidia	Tues., 12 April, 9 a.m.
Tientsin	Cheongshing	Tues., 12 April, 11 a.m.
Holchow & Haiphong	Yue Ying Wah	Tues., 12 April, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China & Japan	Nagoya	Tues., 12 April, 9.30 a.m.
Japan	Aki Maru	Tues., 12 April, 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta and Aden	Namsang	Tues., 12 April, 2 p.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	Lochow	Tues., 12 April, 11 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China	Sinkiang	Tues., 12 April, 9 a.m.
Straits	Haitan	Wednes., 13 April, noon.
Swatow, Shanghai & N. China	Choyang	Wednes., 13 April, 5 p.m.
Holchow & Haiphong	Tak Sang	Wednes., 13 April, 9 a.m.
Timor, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Islands		

For	Per	Date
*Swatow & Bangkok	Foohsing	Thurs., 14 April, 5 a.m.
Shanghai & North China	Sinchow	Thurs., 14 April, 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hailong	Fri., 15 April, 11 a.m.
Philippine Islands	Loong Sang	Fri., 15 April, 2 p.m.
Shanghai, North China & Japan	Iyo Maru	Fri., 15 April, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. France, R. Africa, India via Dharmakodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Kitano M.	Fri., 15 April, Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.
*Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. France, R. Africa, India via Dharmakodi, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Khyber	Fri., 15 April, Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.

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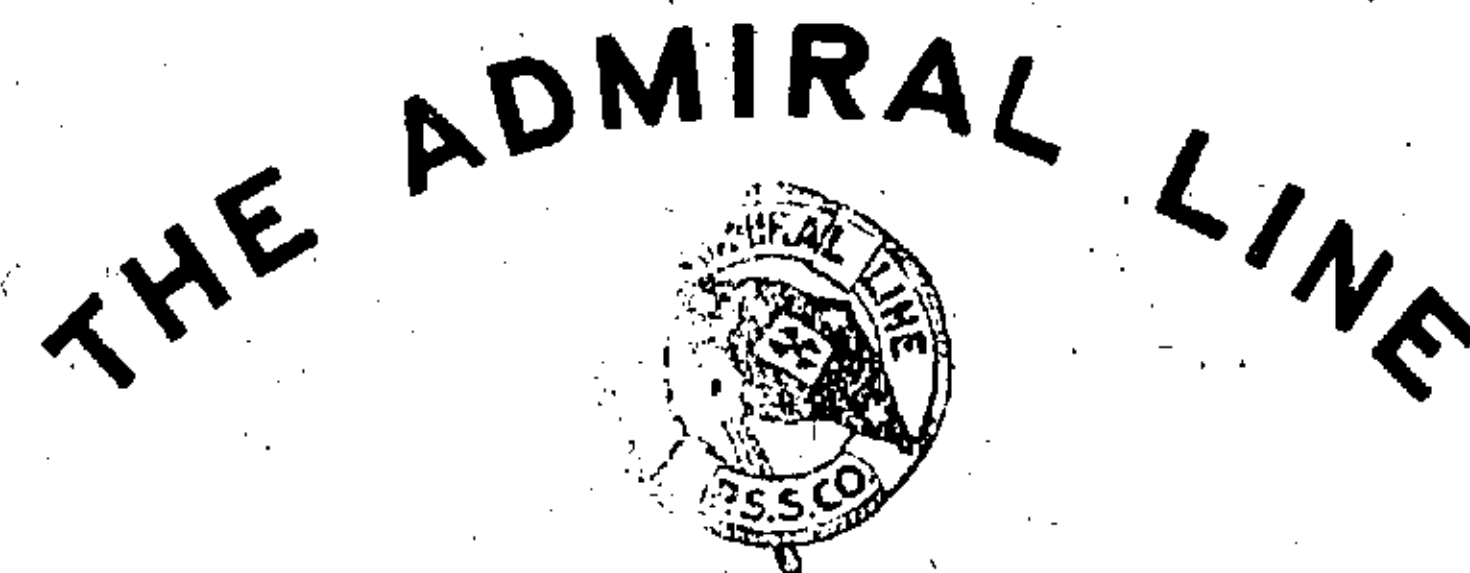
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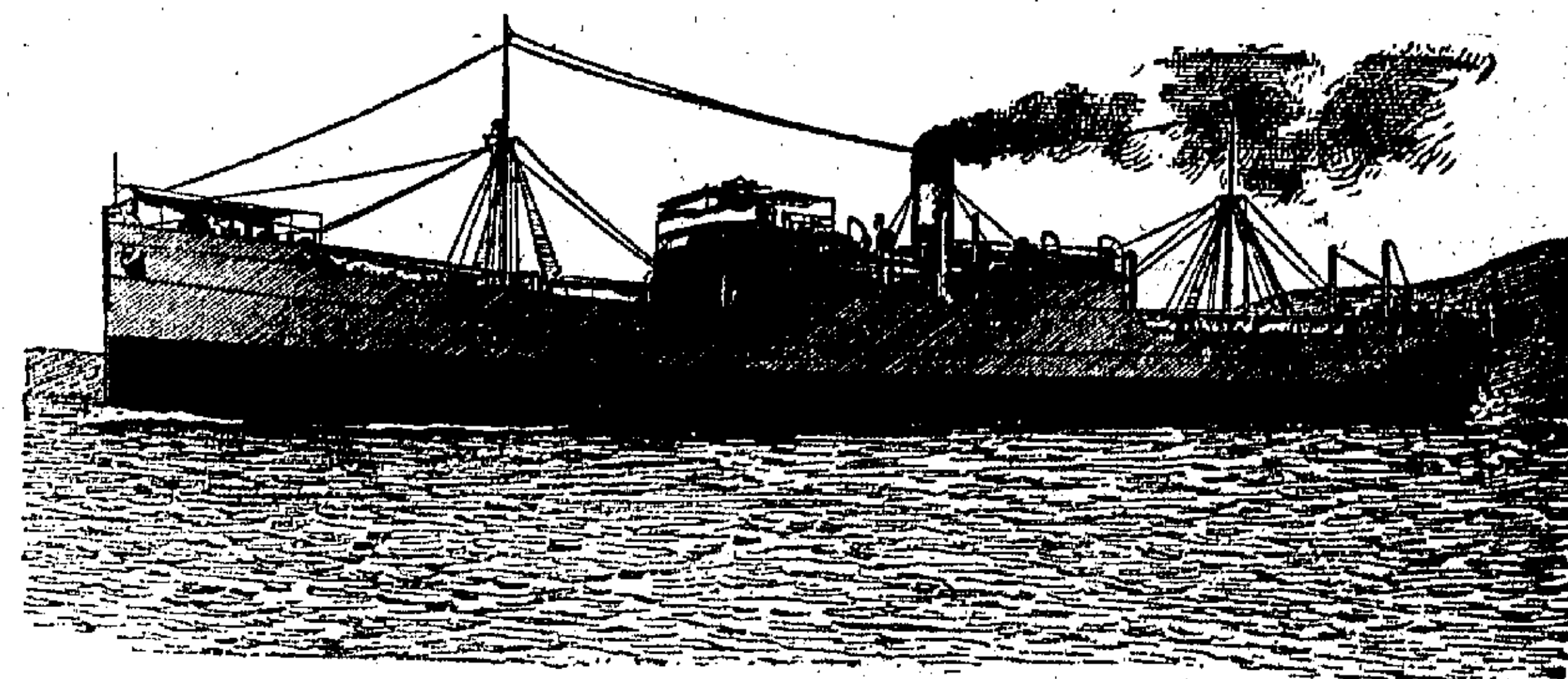
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SHIPPING NEWS.

PIRACY ON THE YANGTZE.
Pirates who work on a small
scale, but do not hesitate to take
life, if the occasion arises, are re-
ported to be becoming increasing-
ly active in the vicinity of the
Yangtze.

GERMAN VESSEL AT RANGOON.
The s. Frauenfels the first
German vessel to enter the port
since the war, recently arrived at
Rangoon. All the officers and
crew of the ship are German.
Only the captain and chief
steward were allowed to land, and
a guard was placed on the ship
while she was in port.

SAIGON CHARTERS.
Messrs. W. G. Hale & Co. Ltd's
circular dated March 10, states
that during the month demand
has been less active, and few new
steamers have been chartered.
The competition of Japanese and
American steamers has become
keener, these steamers being
usually offered at cheaper rates
than those asked for by the
owners in Hongkong.

LUMBER CARGOES FOR THE
EAST.
Reduction of the lumber rate
from \$12.50 to \$10.00 a thousand
feet from Puget Sound to the
Orient has resulted in stimulation
of inquiries for lumber. Only a
few weeks ago the Conference
rate was \$17.50, and a \$10.00 rate
greatly diminishes the chances
of a profit, and this is especially
true where return cargoes are by
no means assured.

SEATTLE WHARF CHARGES.
All wharfage charges on impor-
and export freight through the
Port of Seattle are to be
eliminated, and work on revising
the tariffs has been begun by the
Port Commission and some private
dock owners, as the tariff of both
public and private dock owners is
to be uniform in all particulars,
the revision covering storage
charges and practices as well as
overseas, intercoastal and other
cargo movements. Decision to
abolish wharfage charges of 25
cents a ton in imports and 30
cents a ton on exports, now
assessed against the shipper, was
made so that this port might be
the cheapest one on the Pacific
Coast for the shipper as well as
for the ship operator.

R. M. S. REFRIGERATOR SHIPS.
With a view to establishing
sailings from this port of
refrigeratorships every two weeks
during the coming season, the
local offices of the Royal Mail
Steam Packet Company is advised
by the head offices in London that
its first vessel would sail for
Seattle and Pacific Coast ports
early in April. The vessel to be
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S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
KHYBER	9,700	15th Apr.	M'los, London & Antwerp.
DUNERA	5,400	17th Apr.	S'pore, Colombo & B'bay.
DEVENHA	8,000	27th Apr.	London & Antwerp.
SOUDAN	7,000	29th Apr.	M'los, London & Antwerp.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
TAKADA	6,949	4th May	Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
JAPAN	6,052	18th May	Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
EASTERN	4,000	13 Apr. 1 p.m.	Melbourne via Sandakan, Kuching, B'bay, Townsville, Brisbane & Sydney.
KANOWNA	7,000	6th May	Thurs. Island, Townsville, Brisbane & Sydney.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
NAGOYA	7,000	12 Apr. 11 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
KANOWNA	7,000	20th Apr.	Japan direct.
TAKADA	6,949	14th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan.

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FUSHIMI MARU (Omitting Manila) Tues. 31st May at 11 a.m.

LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez, Port Said & Marseilles.

KITANO MARU ... Friday, 15th April, at 11 a.m.

INABA MARU ... Friday, 29th April, at 11 a.m.

KANO MARU ... Friday, 13th May, at 11 a.m.

AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.

LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLES via Suez.

MELBOURNE & SYDNEY via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

NIKKO MARU ... Tuesday, 19th Apr. at 11 a.m.

AKI MARU ... Tuesday, 17th May, at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK via Suez.

YAMAGATA MARU ... Middle of May.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

KAWACHI MARU (Sailing from Singapore) Wed., 11th May.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.

WAKASA MARU ... Friday, 22nd April.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

RANGOON MARU ... Sunday, 17th April.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

AKI MARU ... Tuesday, 12th April, at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

KAMAKURA MARU ... Friday, 15th April.

DAKAR MARU ... Friday, 15th April.

IYO MARU ... Friday, 15th Apr. at 11 a.m.

TSUSHIMA MARU ... Friday, 15th April.

YAMAGATA MARU ... Saturday, 16th April.

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STRAITS & Calcutta	Namsang	Tues., 12th Apr. at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Taksang	Wed., 13th Apr. at 10 a.m.
SHAI & Tiau via S'tow	Chosang	Thur., 14th Apr. at d'light.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Fooshing	Fri., 15th Apr. at d'light.
MANILA	Loongsang	Fri., 15th Apr. at 3 p.m.

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AMOY	Tean	12th Apr. at 8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Luchow	12th Apr. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & PUKOW	Sinkiang	12th Apr. at noon.
SHANGHAI	Soochow	14th Apr. at noon.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Yingchow	16th Apr. at noon.
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FRANCE AND BELGIUM SEEN FROM A TRAIN.

A Study in Contrasts.

Travelling through France and Belgium just now gives an amazing impression of how a frontier line can alter the effects of war. One is apt to think of devastation as having no respect for boundaries, and of a shell-shattered building in one country being very much like a shattered building in another. The long journey from Paris to Cologne proves how queerly wrong that illusion is as regards the western front.

In France writes a correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian*, the country still smoulders with the colours of the dead year. The trees are hung with the tawny rags stripped from Autumn when reluctantly she tears herself away as Winter comes. There is no tang of spring and new life in the air; all the scents have a hint of decay in them—dead woods, burnt weeds, water stagnant from long standing. And in all the ruined villages there is the same wistful memory of the past and hopeless disregard for the future. Here and there one would see smoke curling up from the chimney of a house with a wound in its roof and the windows broken, or a gay little cluster of wooden huts would blossom in some shattered field. But in almost every case the ruins are just cast aside, like a child's broken toy, and rain and wind have made them as tawny as autumn. Moss is growing in the niches of them, just as it is growing over the tangles of barbed wire and the half-buried muzzles of machine-guns. The train went past stations with their roofs a mere uneven lattice of torn rafters, and past towns as quiet and empty as the kingdom of the Sleeping Beauty before the Prince came. The people seem to have struck away from the pale ghosts of their old homes. It is incredibly untouched and lonely, the devastation of France.

Across the frontier Belgium is boisterously active. It would be perfectly possible for a Rip van Winkle to travel through on his way to Cologne and never guess at the dreadful passage that war had made before him. There is practically no sign of devastation. Towns whose names shout of bloodshed and heroism look as pert and tidy as a garden plot, with never a pane of broken glass or fallen brick to mar their order. Namur, tumbling down the rocks on which it is built, is clamorous with activity; valiant ugly Liege must have forgotten that it ever did anything more heroic than stoke its furnace fires and overcharge travellers in its station buffet. Along a wall somewhere near Charleroi "Hip, hip, hurra" is printed in big white letters as an exuberant if untutored compliment to an ally. This and a "Café Tipperary" in a small village were the most vivid recollections of war that I noticed.

These Belgian villages were alive with industry. Everyone was working. Either one saw the workers actually at their job or else one saw the fruits of hidden industry under such guises as washing spread over a hedge or cradles of stone going along a quarry's overhead wire. I think it is literally true that I did not see any single house unblemished by some form of activity. Sometimes a cow was being milked or the rugs shaken out of the windows or the inevitable washing arranged over the privet. In one house a woman who had doubtless done with all her might everything else that her hand had found to do was bathing a baby on the verandah. It was, fortunately for the baby, a very mellow January day, though twilight was covering the earth with shadows by then and the slim new moon rode like a silver ship through the pale sky.

In the railway compartment with me on the journey travelled a French *poilu* who had neglected the formality of buying a ticket, and who slept away most of the thirteen hours, undisturbed by Customs officers and ticket-collectors—French, Belgian, and German—as they rapped out peremptory orders to the rest of us and carefully stepped over the feet of the gentlemen in horizon blue. It was a triumph of unconcern over officialdom.

LENIN AND MANSHEVIKS.

A Helmsfors message states:—It is officially denied that Lenin has conferred with the *Mansheviks* (Moderates) and Social Democrats with a view of coalition.

THE LATE MR. CHAMP CLARK.

Outline of his Career.

The late Mr. Champ Clark, Congressman from the Ninth District of the Pike County, Missouri, one time Speaker of the National House of Representatives and a leading candidate for President at the Democratic convention in 1912, when he received a majority vote on the first ballots, was best known as a public speaker. Long service in Congress, ability to talk readily, fluently, and entertainingly on a variety of subjects, and a dogged persistence in his political ambitions earned for him a degree of consideration in the Democratic party somewhat beyond his deserts as a legislator states the *New York Evening Post*.

Although he had been Democratic floor leader in the House, Mr. Clark was not regarded as being among the first of his day as a parliamentary tactician, or as a debater. But he was a genial, likable man, and was popular with members of all political parties at the national capital. The firm friendship which existed for years between Mr. Clark and his Republican opponent, Joseph G. Cannon, was matter for frequent comment with those who took their politics more seriously even than the politicians themselves.

Mr. Clark was christened James Beauchamp, but on arriving at manhood he decided that he wanted a more distinctive, an unusual cognomen. "There were," said he too many Jameses, and Beauchamp seemed too pretentious; so I dropped the James and beheaded the Beauchamp, leaving me plain Champ."

The act itself and the explanation were characteristic. In public life he always showed a preference for the picturesque, in both the form and the substance of his remarks. As an orator it was said that he never acquired the grace and polish of a trained rhetorician, yet he was none the less forcible. He spoke in a dialect that of Missouri, a mixture of old Virginia and Kentucky, with a flavour of the Far West. His forte lay in addressing a Southern or Western country audience. As stump speaker in a hot political campaign he was, probably, unsurpassed in his day and before his kind of an audience. He delighted in driving home an argument with a story; he quoted freely from the Bible, with which he was, probably, more familiar than with any other book, and he had abiding faith in the force of an antithesis.

Champ Clark was born in Anderson County, Kentucky, in 1850, and received a primary education in a country school, later going to the University of Kentucky, from which he was expelled for exchanging pistol shots with another student. Clark then went to Bethany College, West Virginia, to finish his literary education. He was very poor. He rented a room in the basement of the school at \$5 a year. Fellow students, the sons of wealthy farmers, out of sympathy for Clark, shared their rooms with him. During the year he was in Bethany College he led all his classes, but the faculty split over whether a one-year student should be graduated with first honours Clark was finally awarded the honour.

THE YOUNGEST COLLEGE PRESIDENT.

The day following his graduation Clark and one of his college chums went to the residence of Alexander Campbell to visit the latter's daughters. A party of gentlemen were playing croquet on the lawn. They were the trustees of Marshall College, a State normal school, at Huntington, W. Va. The trustees told Campbell that they were seeking a president for Marshall College.

"Why," Campbell said, looking down the road as Clark drove up, "here comes now the very man you want. His name is James Beauchamp Clark. He is the brightest man that was ever graduated from Bethany College. He is the best Latin scholar, the best Greek scholar, the best Hebrew scholar, and the best German scholar."

The trustees, without waiting for an introduction to Clark, withdrew to a corner of the croquet grounds and elected him president of Marshall College. Clark was then twenty-three years old. For years it was his boast that he held the record for being the youngest college president in the United States.

Clark left West Virginia for Missouri in 1875. He was elected to the Missouri Legislature in 1889. His contribution to the State's statutes were an anti-trust law and a ballot law modelled on the Australian system. At the completion of his term in the General Assembly Clark was elected to the Fifty-third Congress. He was renominated, but defeated, for the Fifty-fourth, and elected to the Fifty-fifth and subsequent Congresses until last fall, when he was defeated by T. W. Hukriede. In December, 1908, on the election of John Sharp Williams to the Senate, Clark succeeded to the Democratic leadership on the floor of the House, and was chosen Speaker in 1911, serving until 1919, when the Democrats lost control of the House.

His most prominent position before the public was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency at the Baltimore convention in 1912. He had obtained more votes and more delegates at the primary elections throughout the country than any other candidate of the party and led in the convention balloting for some thirty ballots, but the nomination went to Woodrow Wilson.

During the summer and fall however he regained vigor and took an active part in his campaign for reelection in Missouri. Although he ran ahead of his ticket, Mr. Clark was defeated by approximately 3,000 votes. Judge T. W. Hukriede of Warrenton, Mo., being elected.

WEATHER REPORT.

April 11d. 11h. 47°.—Pressure has decreased considerably at Vladivostok, moderately at Weihaiwei and slightly from Shanghai to Hongkong. It is nearly stationary at other reporting stations.

A depression is still shown to the North of Yap. It appears to be stationary.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 5.74 inches, against an average of 7.72 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock	Light or variable winds, overcast; misty.
2 Formosa Channel	The same as No. 1.
3 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamocks.	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.	The same as No. 1.
T. F. CLAXTON, Director. H. K. Observatory, April 11, 1921.	

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day	on date.	on date.
at 2 p.m.	at 5 a.m.	at 8 p.m.
Barometer	29.95	29.94 29.90
Temperature	70	69 73
Humidity	79	90 86
Wind Direction	E.	E. E.
Wind Force	4	3 1
Weather	o	o o
Rain	0.00	0.00 0.00
Highest open air		
Temperature on the 10th	70	
Lowest open air		
Temperature on the 11th	68	
T. F. CLAXTON, Director. H. K. Observatory, April 11.		

THE JAPANESE SOCIETY TO DIFFUSE KNOWLEDGE.

Thus a vernacular correspondence.—The society to diffuse scientific knowledge promoted by over 80 representative doctors of science of Japan had its inaugural meeting on the 29th March. Of the promoters and supporters there are over 500 persons who have the degree of doctors of various learning. The members of the society have reached over 2,000 people including learned men, political peoples, businessmen and journalists. The society will get more members from among the public and will establish a big scientific hall with an estimate of Yen 1,000,000 and issue its organ and will also have popular lectures and other adequate measures to diffuse scientific knowledge to the general public.

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& New York	
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T/T Calcutta	Nom.
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Demand, Singapore	104 1/2
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On Saigon	85 1/4
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Cantons	s.	447 1/4
North China	n.	153
Unions	n.	277
Yangtzes	n.	25 1/2
Far Easterns	b.	20
Fire Insurances		
China Fires	b.	116
A. K. Fires	b.	330
Shipping.		
Douglases	n.	60
H.K. Steamboats	b.	27
Indos (Pref.)	b.	32 1/2
Indo Def. Lon/Reg.	n.	285
Indo Def. H.K. Reg.	b.	265
Shells	n.	105 1/2
Ferries	s.	35
Refineries.		
Sugars	sa.	250 247
Malabons	b.	55
Mining.		
Kailans	b.	90
Langkats		
Shanghai Loans	n.	13
Shai Explorations		
Raubas	b.	75 cts.
Tronohs	s.	24 1/2
Ural Caspians	b.	15 1/2
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
H.K. Wharves	b.	100
K. Docks	sa.	222
Shai Docks	b.	143 1/2
N. Engineerings	b.	15 1/4
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Centrals	b.	134 sa. 135
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Ewos	b.	1.365
Kung Yiks	b.	37
Lau Kung Mows	b.	14 1/2
Orientalis	b.	130
Shai Cottons	b.	23 1/4
Yangtzepeos	b.	
Miscellaneous.		
Cements	s.	14.70
Do. Light old sa.		12 1/2
China Light new b.		11
China Providents n.		12
Dairy Farms	b.	29 3/4 sa. 30
Electric H. K.	s.	24
Electrics Macao n.		30
Hongkong Ropes s.		36
Hk. Tramways s.		13 1/4
Peak Tram, old b.		9
Do. new b.		1
Steam Laundries b.		7 1/2
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Mon.	11	10 37	6.9	4 42	2.6
Tues.	12	11 19	6.9	5 45 1/2	1.7
Wed.	13	12 01	6.9	6 48 1/2	1.3
Thur.	14	12 43	6.9	7 51 1/2	1.0
Fri.	15	1 25	6.9	8 54 1/2	0.8
Sat.	16	2 07	6.9	9 57 1/2	0.6
Sun.	17	2 49	6.9	10 59 1/2	0.5

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8.30	to 10.00 a.m.	10 min.
10.30	to 12.00 noon	10 min.
12.30	to 2.00 p.m.	10 min.
2.30	to 4.00 p.m.	10 min.
4.30	to 5.30 p.m.	10 min.
5.30	to 6.00 p.m.	10 min.
NIGHT CARS.		Every 10 min.
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11.30	to 1.00 a.m.	10 min.
1.00	to 3.00 p.m.	10 min.
3.00	to 5.00 p.m.	10 min.
5.00	to 6.00 p.m.	10 min.
SATURDAYS.		Every 10 min.
7.30 a.m.	to 10.30 a.m.	10 min.
10.30	to 12.00 noon	10 min.
12.00	to 1.00 p.m.	10 min.
1.00	to 3.00 p.m.	10 min.
3.00	to 5.00 p.m.	10 min.
5.00	to 6.00 p.m.	10 min.
SUNDAYS.		Every 10 min.
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12.00	to 1.00 p.m.	10 min.
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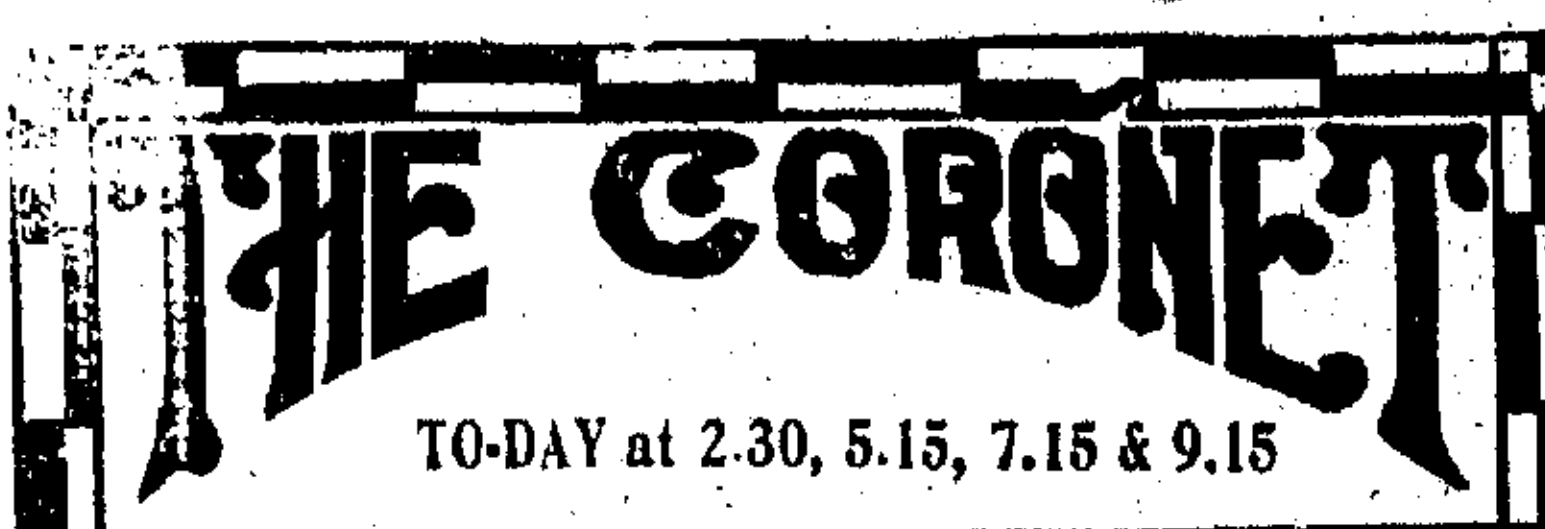
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